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Miss Elizabeth Cole is ill with tonsillitis at her home on Elm street.

The schools excepting Pynchard were closed on Tuesday on account of the storm.

Miss Mary Kyle of Boston has been visiting at the home of her parents in Flint Court.

Philip Jenkins of Portland Maine, spent a few days recently at the home of his parents in town.

Miss Dora Davidson of Dorchester is spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Wyllie, Washington avenue.

Miss Mary Dick of Bartlett street has returned to her home after spending several weeks in Jacksonville, Florida.

Regular meeting of the Clan Johnston, No. 185, will be held Friday, February 5th, in the K. P. Hall at 7.45.

Mrs. Woodburn and two daughters of Wakefield, have moved into Dominick Dowd's new cottage at 31 Maple avenue.

Mrs. A. N. Bean of Washington avenue, who has been suffering from blood-poisoning in her foot, is able to be about again.

Norman B. Reed, formerly of the Smith & Dove office force, now located in Lowell, visited friends in town over the week end.

All members of the Free Church C. E. are urged to be present at the Sunday morning service. They will meet in the Parish House, 10.15.

The number of books issued for home use at the Memorial Hall Library during January was 3054. At Ballardvale, 717 volumes were borrowed.

The Ladies Benevolent society of the Phillips Academy church will meet with Mrs. Stackpole on Tuesday at 2.30 o'clock for the purpose of sewing.

Mrs. Lucy Thayer who has been confined to the house since January 3rd with a surgical injury, has gone to stay with her daughter, Mrs. William Carter, at Carter's corner, till fully recovered.

A meeting of the North Andover Historical society will be held at the Society's rooms Monday evening, February 8th, at 7.45 o'clock. Dr. C. M. Pugs of this town will give a talk about some of the old buildings in Andover. The usual refreshments will be served under the Arch.

The Boston papers report a lecture by Dr. William P. Graves of Boston—a well-known Andover boy—at the Harvard Medical school, his subject being "Heredity." He maintained that, from a medical standpoint, immigration of other races to our country was sure to produce a weaker stock.

An alarm from Box 48 on Tuesday evening called the Chemical and hook and ladder out to a chimney fire at the home of Matthew W. Colquhoun on Washington avenue. The soot in the chimney was ablaze and sparks were flying in all directions. The chemical soon put out the fire with very little damage.

The next meeting of the Free Church Men's club will be held next Tuesday evening, February 9. The subject will be "Mexico" and the speaker will be Rev. W. Ellsworth Lawson. Mr. Lawson lived for a number of years in Mexico City and will relate some of his personal experiences. He will speak chiefly of the political conditions. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

Mrs. W. F. Draper passed her ninety-first birthday at her school street home on January 25. Both on account of the storm and from her choice the celebration was a quiet one. Mrs. Draper is in good health, and keeps in touch with what is going on in the world, as seen from her window and read in the newspapers. The Abbot Academy friends remembered her with gifts of beautiful flowers.

Last Sunday morning in the South church, a quartet from Hampton Institute in Virginia, sang, much to the pleasure of the audience. Several negro melodies were rendered in the soft tones of the colored men which were thoroughly enjoyed. In the evening a stereopticon lecture was held at the Phillips chapel at which the singers also appeared. The work of the institute was told by Mr. Kidder, a teacher there.

The snow storm provided work for some of the unemployed men of Andover and thereby was a cause of rejoicing in many homes. Superintendent Cole handled the work of removing the snow in a most efficient manner. The sidewalks were ploughed out in good season and the gutters are being cleared out in the main streets. The cars were delayed considerably on Tuesday but on Wednesday ran on schedule time. The snow thrown off the tracks by the electric snow plough has been leveled by the street department and the sleighing is fine.

The Andover Equal Suffrage League offers two prizes, one of five dollars and one of three dollars, for the best two essays in favor of Woman Suffrage. The competition is open to all boys and girls of Andover between fourteen and eighteen years of age. The essays should be about six or seven hundred words in length. They are to be left with Mrs. Leonard, 79 Bartlett street, not later than March 17. The decision will be announced at a meeting of the League to be held at the Town Hall on April 14. Literature on the subject may be found at the Andover Memorial Library.

Miss Helen Berry of High street is ill with diphtheria.

Alfred Lundgren of Whittier street is seriously ill at his home.

George Brown, the well known shoe dealer is ill with pneumonia.

The Teachers' club met last night at Miss Chapin's home on Chestnut street.

The Lincoln spelling contest will take place in the town hall on Friday, March 12.

The quarterly meeting of the Andover C. E. Union takes place tonight in the South church.

Bion E. Hicks of the Holden Paper Book Co. of Springfield, visited Superintendent J. F. Allison yesterday.

The K. O. K. A. of the South church will observe ladies' night on next Tuesday evening after the regular conclave.

At the communion service at the Phillips Academy chapel a collection will be taken for the poor of this town.

Miss Charlotte Baldwin, who has been ill with bronchitis at her home on Summer street is reported much better.

Mrs. Percival Davis Perry of Foxcroft, Maine, made a short visit at the home of her parents on Whittier street this week.

The Choral society will meet this evening at 8.15 in the Archaeology building. Every member is asked to be present if possible.

Miss Helen Holt who has been ill for some time past was able to return this week to her duties in the office of the Tyer Rubber Company.

Miss Carrie Merrill of Haverhill, who is recovering from a fractured ankle, is stopping at the home of her sister, Mrs. Joseph Cole of Chestnut street.

At the recital in the chapel of Phillips Academy next Wednesday afternoon, Mr. Plattelcher will play the 4th and 5th organ concertos of Handel (Novello Edit.)

Remember the public meeting of the Andover Suffrage League at the Guild gymnasium on Wednesday evening, February 10, at 8 o'clock. A general invitation is extended.

The plans showing both the remodeling of the present high school building and those of a proposed new building are on exhibition in the school committee room in the town hall.

Tickets for the B. C. S. dancing party to be held in Grange hall, North Andover, on Friday, February 12, may be obtained at Stacey's and Lowe's drug-stores and at 13 Brook street.

A devotional meeting of the Courteous Circle of the King's Daughters will be held in the vestry of the South church, Sunday evening at 7.45 o'clock. Subject: Renewing Our Vows. This is a rally meeting and a large attendance is desired.

Dr. J. P. Torrey who left town for Oklahoma a few weeks ago has decided to make his home in that state. He has opened an office in Norman, and has started practice in that city. Mrs. Torrey and the children will make a visit to the former's sister in Canada, after which they will join the doctor in his new home.

Mrs. Joseph L. Burns, wife of the local attorney, has been appointed guardian of her sister, Miss Eleanor M. Horne of Roxbury, she being a minor. Some time ago Miss Horne, through her mother, Matilda F. Horne, asked the Suffolk Probate court for the removal of her former guardian, claiming that he was hostile to her, unfriendly, incompetent, that he had incurred large and unnecessary expenses, and that he had protested against her petition for a partition of the estate of her father, so that she might get her share, amounting to \$50,000, a sixth of the estate.

Coming Events

TUESDAY

Andover C. E. Union Meeting in South Church.
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9
7.45 p.m. Free Church Men's Club.
3.00 to 12.00 p.m. Twenty-fifth Anniversary of Grange.

WEDNESDAY

Fathers Night by Andover Mothers Club. Visit ours Welcome.
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13
Helping Hand Entertainment. Free Church.

Mr. Scholes at Abbot Academy

Next Thursday afternoon at quarter before four o'clock, Percy A. Scholes, Mus. Bac. (Oxon.), will give an illustrated lecture on British Music in Davis Hall. This lecture is included in the Abbot Academy Recital series and holders of season tickets will have free admission. To others an admission fee of fifty cents will be charged.

Mr. Scholes is editor of "The Music Student" and extension lecturer of the Universities of Oxford, London and Manchester, and is in this country for three months. He has lectured at Harvard, Wellesley, Vassar, Smith, Columbia and the University of Wisconsin, and returns to England a few days after his visit to Andover.

Polish Relief

Tomorrow is the day when Polish flags will be sold on the streets and at the door for ten cents, so graciously smile on the children who will invite you to purchase one, but don't shake your head. And if a quarter is all you can find you don't need to wait for change, for in Poland several millions of people are wandering homeless and hopeless amid the rigors of the winter season. God help them and we must be His agents.

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The undersigned wish to express their thanks for the many beautiful floral tributes sent as tributes to the memory of Mrs. Middleton.

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Miss Margaret Middleton
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Arts and Crafts Exhibit

An exhibition of local handwork will be held in the November Club house on March 15. This means that you have only about five weeks in which to prepare that embroidery, crocheting, knitting, or basketry which you intend to exhibit. Can't you win one of the blue ribbons offered for the best three-inch letter embroidered on a 50 cent towel, or one offered for the best rompers for a two year old child (cost not to exceed 50 cents) or for the best "something made out of nothing", a dainty collar made out of bits of lace left over from something else, an attractive bag made from a scrap of silk, or anything else which your ingenuity prompts? The competition is open to everyone in Andover.

Notice

The business affairs of Dr. John P. Torrey, who has removed to Oklahoma, have been placed in the hands of Rogers & Angus, and through this firm collection of outstanding accounts will be made.

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AT THE THEATRES



The Four (Fore) Fathers with Lew Fields in "The High Cost of Loving"
At the Shubert Theatre, Boston

BOSTON THEATRES

PLYMOUTH

The glowing praise showered upon "Too Many Cooks," the delightful comedy of suburban life now on the eve of its third week at the Plymouth Theatre, Boston, is only one reason why this play is well worth seeing. It is the cleanest sort of pure and wholesome American comedy that Boston has seen in years. In fact no play produced in a long time sparkles with such genuine and keen American wit. The piece is written by Frank Craven, who is well remembered for his wonderful characterization of the clerk in "Bought and Paid For." Mr. Craven appears himself in the leading role and demonstrates his versatility as a diverting comedian. The production is staged by William A. Brady (Ltd.) and is surrounded by an unusual stage setting showing a home in three different stages of construction and an excellent company. The management announces a popular priced Thursday matinee when plenty of good orchestra seats may be obtained for \$1.00 and \$1.50. All remittances should be made payable to Fred E. Wright, manager.

HOLLIS STREET

Miss Billie Burke began her annual engagement at the Hollis Street theatre, Boston, on Monday night, and the big audience that greeted her voted her new comedy, "Jerry," the most delightful and the most "billieburkish" play that the popular actress has presented in Boston since she became a star.

The piece is by Catherine Chisholm, an American playwright and it is the first American play Miss Burke has ever done. It tells a very amusing story of how a mischievous Chicago girl plays havoc with the routine of a well-ordered household in a staid Philadelphia suburb.



Charles Frohman presents
MISS BILLIE BURKE in "Jerry"

Miss Burke plays "Jerry," of course, and it is decidedly the best role she has had, for it enables her to display, not only all her fascinating charms, but also to prove that she is a comedienne of the first class.

The situations in the play are highly amusing and the dialogue is of the wittiest. And Miss Burke wears a large number of fetching frocks.

Miss Burke will stay at the Hollis two weeks more—until Saturday evening, February 20, and her matinees will be on Wednesdays and Saturdays. Mail orders will be given prompt attention. Anyone who enjoys a good laugh must be sure to see one of her performances.

WILBUR

The population of Boston is now divided in two parts—those who have seen "A Pair of Sixes" and those who are going to see it. Not in the memory of the present generation of theatregoers has any play come to Boston that so thoroughly captivated the town as this wonderfully funny farce which is now attracting huge and laughing audiences to the beautiful Wilbur theatre.

The best comedy cast ever assembled appears in "A Pair of Sixes," including Frank McIntyre, Fritz Williams, Sam B. Hardy, Oza Waldrop, Maude Eburne, Grace Carlyle and a dozen others.

The play ran for eight months in New York and six months in Chicago, and it seems as if Boston would like to keep it for an equal length of time. But owing to existing contracts the Boston engagement must come to an end before long.

Matinees at the Wilbur Theatre are given Wednesday and Saturday.

MAJESTIC

William Faversham in the great Paris and New York success, "The Hawk," swooped to success at the Majestic theatre, Boston, Monday night. The theatre was filled with the largest and most fashionable audience that has witnessed a premiere this season.

In "The Hawk," Mr. Faversham has found a stirring drama of modern social life, with absorbing love scenes, powerful dramatic climaxes and diverting comedy. It is undoubtedly the crowning triumph of his career. Not since "The Squaw Man" has he had a play with so wide an appeal. "The Hawk" has been well named the "prosperity play."

Real romance in modern dress possesses a potent appeal and the thrilling love scenes of this new play have called attention to the fact that Mr. Faversham is the last of the matinee idols.

As this engagement is limited to four weeks mail should be sent in early.

SHUBERT

At the Shubert theatre, Boston, for two weeks beginning February 8th, manager A. H. Woods will present the king of fun-makers, Lew Fields, in "The High Cost of Loving," a farce from the German that kept New York theatregoers in roars of laughter for six months at the Republic theatre.

Mr. Fields has never had a better vehicle for the display of his genius as a fun-maker.

There will be matinees Wednesday and Saturday.

Following Lew Fields, manager Woods will send another welcome star, Pauline Frederick in "Innocence," which comes direct from a long run at the Eltinge Theatre, New York.

COLONIAL

Boston playgoers are promised one of the most fascinating comedies ever produced, and one of the most original and striking dramatic novelties ever brought out by David Belasco, next Monday evening when Leo Ditrichstein will begin a limited engagement at the Colonial theatre in "The Phantom Rival." This play proved one of the biggest hits of the current season in New York, and for five months enjoyed the absolute limit of popularity and prosperity at the Belasco Theatre.

Mr. Belasco is sending the entire original company and the complete New York production to Boston.

The play is in three acts, and has been staged with wonderful detail by Mr. Belasco. Mr. Ditrichstein, whose performance in "The Concert," as well as in other highly successful plays, stamped him as a real artist, is credited with the

McDOUGALL'S MUSINGS

The Scotch Ploughman Who Could
Write English.—No. 2.

1759—ROBERT BURNS—1915

This week I quote a few examples of how the great master of the Scottish dialect could write pure English. Burns had a great respect for his father and I give as my first quotation the epitaph from his tombstone—"Epitaph for My Father":

O ye, whose cheek the tear of pity stains,
Draw near with pious reverence attend!
Here lie the loving husband's dear remains,
The tender father, and the generous friend;
The pitying heart that felt for human woe;
The dauntless heart that fear'd no human pride.
The friend of man, to vice alone a foe;
"For ev'n his fallings lean'd to virtue's side."

The next sample of the poet's mastery using of the finest English is an epitaph on his daughter.

Here lies a rose, a budding rose,
Blasted before its bloom;
Whose Innocence did sweets disclose
Beyond that flower's perfume.
To those who for her loss are grieved,
This consolation's given—
She's from a world of woe relieved
And blooms a rose in Heaven.

The "Two Brigs," by many critics supposed to be one of Burns' best poems, has several fine verses. I quote the first twenty-four lines of the Brigs (Bridges) of Ayr poem:

The simple Bard, rough at the rustic plough,
Learning his tuneful trade from ev'ry bough;
The chanting linnet, or the mellow thrush;
Hailing the setting sun, sweet, in the green thorn
bush;

The soaring lark; the perching red-breast shrill,
Or deep-ton'd plovers, grey, wild-whistling o'er the
hill.

Shall lie, nurst in the Peasant's lowly shed,
To hardy independence bravely bred,
By early poverty to hardship steel'd,
And train'd to arms in stern misfortune's field,
Shall he be guilty of their heinous crimes,
The servile, mercenary Swiss of rhyme?

Or labour hard the pangs of close,
With all the venal soul of dedicating Prose?
No! though his artless strains his rudely sing,
And throw his hand thoughtlessly o'er the strings
He glows with all the spirit of the Bard,
Fame, honest fame, his great, his dear reward.
Still, if some Patron's gen'rous care he trace,
Skilled in the secret, to bestow with grace;
When balladry's bedrids his humble name,
And hands the rustic stranger up to fame,
With heartfelt thanks his grateful bosom swells,
The godlike bias, to give, alone excels.

The Cottar's Saturday Night has many beauties. There are some stanzas in it so thoroughly Scotch that many Scotchmen today do not understand. I give the last two verses of that great poem:

O Scotia! my dear, my native soil!
For whom my warmest wish to Heaven is sent!
Long may thy hardy sons of rustic toil
Be blest with health and peace and sweet content.
And, oh, may Heaven their simple lives prevent
From luxury's contagion, weak and vile!
Then, howe'er crowns and coronets be rent,
A virtuous populace may rise the while,
And stand a wall of fire around their much lov'd
isle.

O Thou! who pour'd the patriotic tide
That stream'd thro' Wallace's undaunted heart;
Who dar'd to nobly stem tyrannic pride,
Or nobly die, the second glorious part,
The patriot's God, peculiarly Thou art,
His friend, inspirer, guardian, and reward!
O never, never Scotia's realm desert;
But still the patriot, and the patriot bard,
In bright succession raise, her ornament and guard;

"Tam O' Shanter," by many critics thought to be his best production, although mostly in broad Scotch, has here and there some fine English. I quote

most artistic characterization of his career in "The Phantom Rival." During the engagement of Mr. Ditrichstein at the Colonial, the regular Wednesday and Saturday matinees will begin at 2; while the evening performance will commence at 8.15. There will be a special matinee on Washington's birthday, February 22.

MODERN THEATRE

"The Gilded Fool," a powerfully appealing dramatic photo-play with William Farnum as the leading character will be the headline feature for next week at the exclusive Modern theatre, Boston. The production is staged by the famous William Fox Feature Film Studio Company, whose early release of Betty Nansen, the renowned Danish tragedienne is soon to be announced. The production offers a compelling combination of love, high finance, and the life of the "Gay White Way." The plot deals with the progress of young Chauncey Short, a typical, "gilded fool" who spends his days in idleness and his nights in frivolity. The play as a whole offers a series of tense and exciting scenes capped by one of the strongest climaxes ever photographed. There will be no increase in prices. The Modern theatre, as patrons already know, is the most distinctive playhouse in Boston. It is equipped with every facility for the absolute safety and comfort of its patrons. Regular Sunday night concerts of unusual merit are given. The theatre is located on Washington street, being in the heart of the shopping district and directly opposite R. H. White's.

BOSTON THEATRE

Realistic and exciting as is the great chariot race in "Ben-Hur" with its twenty thoroughbred horses driven in quadruple teams by the five contestants for the blue ribbon of victory in the arena of the Antioch circus, as seen by the breathless audience in front of the footlights at the big Boston theatre, Boston, one gets a new sensation by watching this wonderful spectacle from behind the scenes. All around, towers huge panoramas. At one's feet the stage is transformed from the boards trod by buskin and sock into a mechanical workshop. Four horses stand abreast before each chariot, resting upon the heavy treadmills, each chariot plat-

eight lines which are often quoted in Scottish pulpits to show how short-lived all earthly pleasures are. I heard a literary learned Frenchman say that these eight lines made the Scottish poet a great man. I here wish to say to our young people that it is not "Tammy Shanter," it is "Tam O' Shanter." Shanter was the name of Tam's farm, just as you would say "Averil of West Parish."

You seize the flow'r, its bloom is shed;
Or like the snow falls in the river;
A moment white—then melts forever;
Or like the borealis race,
That flit ere you can point their place;
Or like the rainbow's lovely form
Evanishing amid the storm.

I now quote my mother's favorite, "Lines written in Friar Carse Hermitage on Nithside." I learned this bit of Burns 72 years ago and can repeat it today. May we all be able when our time comes to creep to the bed of lasting sleep resigned and quiet.

Thou whose chance may hither lead,
Be thou clad in russet weed,
Be thou deck'd in silken stole
Grave these counsels on thy soul.
Life is but a day at most,
Sprung from night, in darkness lost;
Hope not sunshine ev'ry hour
Fear not clouds will always lour.
As Youth and Love, with sprightly dance,
Beneath thy morning star advance,
Pleasure with her syren air
May delude the thoughtless pair;
Let Prudence bless Enjoyment's cup,
Then raptur'd sip and sip it up.
As thy day grows warm and high,
Life's meridian flaming nigh,
Dost thou spurn the humble vale?
Life's proud summits wouldst thou scale?
Check thy climbing step, elate,
Evil lurks in frown and wait;

Dangers, eagle plumed, bold,
Soar around each cliffy hold,
While cheerful Peace, with linnet song,
Chants the lowly dells among.
All the shades of ev'ning close,
Beck'ning thee to long repose;
As life itself becomes disease,
Seek the chimney hook of ease.
Then ruminate with sober thought,
On all thou'st seen, and heard, and wrought;
And teach the sportive youth to count,
Laws of experience, sage and sound.
Say, Man's true, genuine estimate,
The grand criterion of his fate
Is not—Art thou high, or low?
Did thy fortune ebb or flow?
Did many talents gild thy span?
Or frugal nature grudge thee one?
Tell them and press it on their mind,
As thou thyself must shortly find,
The smile or frown of awful Heav'n
To Virtue, or to Vice, is giv'n.

Say, "To be just, and kind, and wise,
Their solid self-enjoyment lies;
That foolish, selfish faithless ways,
Lead to the wretched, vile, and base."
Thus resign'd and quiet, creep
To the bed of lasting sleep;
Sleep, whence thou shalt ne'er awake,
Night, where dawn shall never break.
Till future life, future no more,
To light and joy the good restore.
To light and joy unknown before.
Stranger, go! Heav'n be thy guide,
Quoth the Benighted of Nith-side.

As my space is more than full I only give two specimens of "The Jolly Beggars." Walter Scott said that the "Jolly Beggars" was the work of an artist.

I am a son of Mars, who have been in many wars,
And show my cuts and scars wherever I come;
There was a war for a wench, and that other in a trench,
When welcoming the French at the sound of the drum.

Life is all a variorum
We regard not how it goes;
Let them cast about dauntless
Who have characters to lose.

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To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of Louise Richards Drew, late of Andover, in said County of Essex, deceased, intestate.

Whereas, a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to Frank Drew of Andover, in the County of Essex, without giving a surety on his bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Lawrence, in said County of Essex, on the eighth day of February, A. D. 1915, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And the petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof by publishing this citation once in each week for three successive weeks, in the Andover Townsman, a newspaper published in Andover, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court.

Witness, Rollin E. Harmon, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twenty-first day of January in the year one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

HORACE H. ATHERTON, Jr.,
Register.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the subscriber has been duly appointed executor of the will of George H. Torr, late of Andover, in the County of Essex, deceased, intestate, and has taken upon himself that trust by giving bond, as the law directs.

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METHUEN

Tickets have been placed on sale for the drama "A Foul Tip" which is to be given at the Baptist vestry Friday evening, February 26, under the auspices of the Junior Baraca class.

Members of the lodges of Odd Fellows of Andover and North Andover were in attendance at a meeting of Hope lodge, I. O. O. F., last night, when the third degree was conferred on a number of candidates.

Mayor Kane of Lawrence has again refused to appoint Methuen residents public weighers, contending that the appointments should be made by the Methuen selectmen. The local board will probably make the appointments later.

Plans for the military ball to be held February 22 by the high school cadets are well under way. A fine entertainment is being arranged by the general committee. The tickets will be out in a few days and may be obtained from any of the cadet officers.

The members of the German class are holding frequent rehearsals under the direction of Miss Blanche Brackett, on a German play that is to be given in the Town hall, February 12. A small admission fee is to be charged and candy and small articles will be on sale.

Selectman and Mrs. James H. Morris of Methuen left Monday morning for Providence, R. I., to attend the funeral of the former's father, Michael Morris, who died Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock. The deceased was about 70 years old. He visited his son in Methuen last summer and while here made many friends. Besides the son in Methuen, he is survived by two other sons and three daughters.

The citizens of Methuen will be glad to learn that hereafter the last car which leaves the transfer station, Lawrence, every night, and runs as far as Kirk street to accommodate the employees of street railway will be run to Central place. This is a convenience that has been needed for a long time. The car leaves the transfer station at 12.28 or after the arrival of the theatre train from Boston. Heretofore this late car has run to Methuen only Wednesdays, Saturdays and holidays.

A pretty birthday party was held Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Broadbent, 140 Tenney street in honor of the 21st birthday of their son, Arthur. In addition to other valuable presents received by the young man a number of his friends surprised him with a traveling bag. Although taken entirely by surprise he responded with a few well chosen words. Many parlor games were enjoyed by the young people present, and during the evening a dainty collation was served and an impromptu program was carried out.

The annual meeting of the Men's club of the Congregational church was held Monday night at Phillips chapel. In the early part of the evening a chicken pie supper was served under the direction of John Ostler, Elliot P. Spooner and David D. Woodbury. Fred Cheney of Lawrence gave an interesting talk of the Trinity Brotherhood of Lawrence. These officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, John Ostler; vice president, William Metcalf; secretary and treasurer, David D. Woodbury; executive committee, Elliot P. Spooner, H. E. Moore, F. W. Gay.

NORTH ANDOVER

The young men of Trinitarian Congregational church are rehearsing a drama entitled "A Thief in the House."

At the regular weekly session of the board of selectmen held Monday night the Standard Oil company was granted a license to maintain a first class garage at its plant on Marblehead street.

A farmer's institute is being held in Grange hall, North Andover, today, under the auspices of the Essex Agricultural society. The speaker is Henry M. Howard, a member of the state board of agricultural, speaking at the forenoon session on "Intensive farming as practiced on market gardens near Boston," and at the afternoon session on "Irrigation and Drainage needed on Every Farm."

Tendered Whist Party

The North Andover Dramatic club was entertained by Miss Marjorie Tilton at her home on Railroad avenue last evening when a whist party was enjoyed.

The winners were: Mrs. Arthur L. Redman, first; Mrs. Bernard, second; Mrs. James H. Goff, consolation. Gents: William A. Mulcahy, first; Roswell Ward, second; and Willis Tilton, consolation.

Finance Committee Meets

The finance committee comprising the board of selectmen, Peter Holt, John T. Campbell and Edward E. Curley and Town Auditor James W. Elliott met last night when appropriations aggregating \$155,850 were recommended for the annual town meeting in March. This amount includes the estimated receipts of \$18,000.

The appropriations recommended follows:

APPROPRIATIONS, 1915

Assessors	\$1050
Auditor	350
Clerk of town	200
Collector of taxes 1 per cent on collections and premium on bond.	
For postage (\$100.)	1200
Fish warden	5
Forest fire warden	100
Forest fire expenses, from contingent fund	

Animal inspector	100
Selectmen	600
Treasurer, premium on bond and	550
Janitor Town hall	250
Board of health officers	150
Board of health expenses	1000
Fire dept. (including support of horses and pay of drivers)	7000
Fire engineers	300
State and county taxes	24,000
Contingent fund	5000
Discount on notes	1800
Election expenses	500
Lighting streets	5000
State and military aid	1000
Library trustees, dog tax and	2750
Memorial day fund	250
Registrars of voters	200
Poor, overseers of	300
Poor, supt. of farm	600
Poor, matron of farm	150
Poor, support, receipts and	6500
Police dept.	2000
Engine house, interest and retire-	1560
ment of 10 bonds	36000
Schools, supt. and expenses	150
School physician	1500
Highway surveyor	6000
Streets, highways and bridges	4000
Oilings	1500
Macadam repairs	3500
Sidewalks	1500
Snow (balance of St. R'y Tax)	2500
Surveying	100
Surface drains	2000
Water commissioners	300
Interest on water loan bonds	5780
Mainst. and const. water works	11000
Redeeming bonds, No. 11 of 1914, Nos. 20 and 21 of 1915	3000
Sinking fund water loan fund	1500
Sewers (interest and retirement of bonds Nos. 11 and 12)	3560
Tree warden	150
Tree warden expenses	500
Suppression of gypsy and brown tail moths	2300
North Andover Improvement society	400
Bradstreet school house loan, interest and retirement of bonds, two	2720
Repairs on town farm building	400
Baseball field	50
Merrimack school, interest and return of one bond	1300
Sealer of weights and measures	75
Fire house	600
Boxford street	500
Total	\$155,850
Receipts	18,000
Total	\$133,850

Movie

It is a significant development of English spelling in the circles of the uneducated, that the word used to represent in short form moving picture has taken the form movie. The plural moving pictures was reduced to the childish form movies, in deference perhaps to the growing intelligence of the patrons of those works of art. And then when occasion arose to use the singular, it was not spelled as the spelling-book rules would make it, movie, but movie. And we read of the movie show.

The ending -ie has always been popular in pet names, as in Abbie, Annie, Carrie, Fannie, Jennie, Josie, Katie, Lottie, Mattie, Billie, Johnnie, Willie, etc. The spelling with -y is later, and in some names less common. Carrie is seldom Carry, and Annie is never Any. The ending -ie was formerly pronounced in these names as it is in field, but shorter and with a secondary stress: "Jen'nie," "Willie," etc., so "little Billie." It is the popular spelling in bonnie, collie, laddie, lassie, birdie, doggie, mouse and other words of Scottish and nursery associations.—Simplified Spelling Bulletin.

Pastor for the President

The telephone bell rang out cheerfully in the office of the Vice-President and a voice said it was the pastor of President Wilson's church who was doing the talking. He desired a five-minute conference with the Vice-President at eleven o'clock. Secretary Thistlethwaite bade him come and welcome.

Promptly at eleven o'clock a quietly-dressed man entered the office door. He looked just like any other minister, except that he was a colored person.

"I'm the man that called up and made an appointment for eleven o'clock," he explained. "I'm the pastor of President Wilson's church."

Secretary Thistlethwaite was anxious to hear the thing through. If President Wilson had joined a colored church he wished to know the full particulars. He ushered the visitor into the private office.

"I'm the pastor of the President's church," the minister repeated after he had greeted Mr. Marshall. "That is, you understand, when the President first came to town he picked out one of the Presbyterian churches to attend. Since then our folks have bought that church and we're fixing it over."

He went on to say that he earnestly desired for the Vice-President to be there and address them at a special big meeting the following Sunday.

"I'd like to come mighty well," said Mr. Marshall, "but I've got another engagement that day. It seems to me, though, that the logical person to have would be President Wilson himself."

"Do you suppose he would come?" asked the minister.

"I can't say as to that," admitted Mr. Marshall, "but if I were you I should certainly ask him. He ought to go. It's his church, isn't it? Well, then, I don't see how he can refuse."—New York Sun

Quite So

"Longevity, after all, is largely a matter of diet."

"Indeed! I had the impression it was largely a matter of time."

Not Accepted Here

"You know it is said that the poor and righteous man has treasure in heaven."

"Yes; what a pity he can't use it as collateral while he's here."

Andover Club Tournament

Last Saturday evening at the Andover club a most enjoyable whist party was held. A large attendance manifested great interest in the different contests, billiards and pool being counter attractions.

The winners in the recent handicap tournaments for members, were announced and President George A. Higgins presented a fine rosewood cue to Vaughan Jealous for winning in billiards, a mahogany cue to Roy E. Hardy for pool and a cup to Roy E. Hardy for cowboy pool.

Whist was then enjoyed until 10.30 about 10 tables participating. The winners were George A. Higgins with a score of 111. Fred Brackett ranked second with 108. The former was presented with a gentleman's silk umbrella and the latter received an excellently framed picture.

The results of the tournament are as follows:

COWBOY POOL

Class 1—Handicap 90—20—R. E. Hardy, C. H. Weeks, J. Walter Brown. Class 2—Handicap 90—15—Henry Hilton, W. H. Thompson, Nathaniel Chadwick, L. D. Sherman, Edward King.

Class 3—Handicap 90—10—David Preston, John Angus, H. A. Bodwell, Arthur G. Clark.

Class 4—Handicap 90—5—Frank H. Hardy, Frank L. Cole, Harry Sellers.

Class 5—Handicap 80—5—David L. Coutts, David R. Lawson, Edmond E. Hammond, Walter C. Donald.

Class 6—Handicap 70—5—Vaughan Jealous, F. M. Temple, Douglas Donald.

First Round
Frank H. Hardy—90-5 and scratch, defeated David Preston—90-10.

John C. Angus—90-10 defeated Frank L. Cole, 90-0.

Harry Sellers—90-5 defeated Vaughan Jealous 70-2.

H. A. Bodwell—90-10 defeated Douglas Donald 60-0.

Henry Hilton 90-15 defeated J. W. Brown 90-18.

W. H. Thompson—90-15 defeated Nathaniel Chadwick—90-8.

R. E. Hardy—90-20 defeated D. R. Lawson—80-4.

E. E. Hammond—80-5 defeated Arthur G. Clark—90-8.

L. D. Sherman—90-15 defeated W. C. Donald—80-0.

David L. Coutts—80-5 and scratch defeated Clarence H. Weeks—90-20.

F. M. Temple—70-5 defeated Edward King—90-6.

Second Round

H. A. Bodwell—90-10 defeated John C. Angus—90-8.

Harry Sellers—90-5 defeated David L. Coutts—80-1.

Henry Hilton—90-15 defeated E. E. Hammond—69-0.

L. D. Sherman—90-15 defeated F. M. Temple 70-3.

Third Round

Henry Hilton—90-15 defeated L. D. Sherman 90-12.

R. E. Hardy—90-20 defeated Walter R. Thompson—90-2.

Harry Sellers—90-5 defeated H. A. Bodwell—87-0.

Fourth Round

Roy E. Hardy—90-20 and scratch defeated Henry Hilton 90-15.

Final Round

Roy E. Hardy—90-20 defeated Harry Sellers—90-4.

BILLIARDS

Class 1—Handicap 150—Clarence H. Weeks and J. W. Brown.

Class 2—Handicap 130—Nathaniel Chadwick, Roy E. Hardy.

Class 3—Handicap 110—H. A. Bodwell, P. L. Hardy, David Preston, L. D. Sherman.

Class 4—Handicap 90—John C. Angus, Walter H. Thompson.

Class 5—Handicap 75—Frank L. Cole, Arthur G. Clark, David L. Coutts.

Class 6—Handicap 50—Vaughan Jealous.

First Round

H. A. Bodwell—110 defeated Frank L. Cole—66.

David Preston—110 defeated W. H. Thompson—61.

Clarence H. Weeks—150 defeated Nathaniel Chadwick—100.

Arthur G. Clark—75 defeated David L. Coutts—66.

Philip L. Hardy—110 defeated L. D. Sherman—82.

John C. Angus—90 defeated R. E. Hardy—121.

Vaughan Jealous—50 defeated J. W. Brown—131.

Second Round

Philip L. Hardy—110 defeated John C. Angus—71.

Clarence H. Weeks—150 defeated H. A. Bodwell—56.

Arthur G. Clark—75 defeated David Preston—96.

Third Round

Vaughan Jealous—50 defeated Philip L. Hardy—80.

Clarence H. Weeks—150 defeated Arthur G. Clark—60.

Final Round

Vaughan Jealous—50 defeated Clarence H. Weeks 142.

POOL

Class 1—Handicap 150—Roy E. Hardy, Edward King, Arthur G. Clark.

Class 2—Handicap 130—W. Thompson, Henry Hilton, Philip Hardy, L. D. Sherman.

Class 3—Handicap 110—Clarence H. Weeks, Fred B. Goff, J. W. Brown, Harry Sellers, John C. Angus, Nathaniel Chadwick, V. D. Harrington.

Class 4—Handicap 90—David Preston, Frank L. Cole, David R. Lawson, Edmond E. Hammond.

Class 5—Handicap 65—Douglas Donald, Vaughan Jealous.

First Round—Frank L. Cole—90 defeated Henry Hilton—121; David Preston—90 defeated L. D. Sherman—92; Roy E. Hardy—150 defeated Fred B. Goff—85; Edward King—150 defeated J. W. Brown—77; Clarence H. Weeks—110 defeated Douglas Donald—41; Edmond E. Hammond—90 defeated David L. Coutts—73; Walter C. Donald—75 defeated Vaughan Jealous—37; John C. Angus—110 defeated Nathaniel Chadwick—101; Harry Sellers—110 defeated David R. Lawson—69; Virgil D. Harrington—110 defeated Phil Hardy—50.

Second Round—Clarence H. Weeks—110 defeated David Preston—85; Harry Sellers—110 defeated Walter H. Thompson—78; Edmond E. Hammond—90 defeated Walter C. Donald—41; Frank L. Cole—90 defeated John C. Angus—107; Roy E. Hardy—150 defeated Edward King—116.

Third Round—Virgil D. Harrington—110 defeated Frank L. Cole—58; Roy E. Hardy—150 defeated Harry Sellers—53; Clarence H. Weeks—110 defeated Edmond E. Hammond—66.

Fourth Round—Roy E. Hardy—150 defeated Virgil D. Harrington—80.

Roy E. Hardy—150 defeated Clarence H. Weeks—96.

Refreshments were served consisting of oyster stew, coffee, doughnuts and cheese and a social hour followed.

BOWLING

Press Team Lost

The Andover Press bowling team played the second game of the season with the strong Lawrence Telegram team on the Y. M. C. A. alleys in Lawrence last Friday night and met defeat by the score of three points to one. The match was one of the most exciting that has been seen on the alleys for some time and although suffering defeat the local bowlers forced the Telegram team to record breaking efforts in order to win the match. Taking the first string by nine pins, an effort was made by the Press men to increase the lead in the second string but at its close it was found that the Telegram won by ten points. This gave the Telegram a one point lead in which to start the remaining string. The excitement was intense and every effort was made by the bowlers to bring victory to their respective teams. The final scoring showed, however, that the Telegram won by a comfortable margin of 87 pins. The hero of this string was Pedlow who bowled for 145. Marshall of the Andover team was the leading bowler of the evening, having strings of 124, 111 and 95 with a total of 330. Pedlow's total was 315.

The summary:
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A Fair Show Demanded

It isn't surprising that there is considerable feeling over the removal of Commissioner Walker, who for several years has been the head of that department of the state agriculture which looks after animals.

Mr. Walker got his job in the face of a great deal of opposition from organized veterinarians of the State. It is not impossible that Mr. Walker should have had some larger knowledge of animal industry along the lines possessed by skilled veterinarians, but it is also pretty well known that Mr. Walker has some other qualities which many veterinarians do not possess, which fitted him to give pretty good service in many ways since he has held this important position.

The immediate cause of his dismissal is held to be the manner in which he handled the recent hoof and mouth disease, based upon a report by the Commission on Economy and Efficiency, a board charged with the responsibility for making such investigations, and a board whose opinions should have weight in considering the administration of different State departments. All this, however, presupposes a procedure in which a man attacked as Mr. Walker has been, should know the different details of charges made against him and be given an opportunity to explain the why and the wherefore, and this is the ground and the legitimate ground, upon which friends of Mr. Walker charge that he has been railroaded out of office without an opportunity for a fair and proper hearing.

About everybody is trying to play politics with the proposition, and if, under the circumstances, Mr. Walker succeeds in getting a fair hearing, both to the Commonwealth and to himself, it will be a marvel, but certainly such an attempt should be made. It isn't going to be very pleasant for the Governor to back down, and it may be difficult for the Committee on Efficiency and Economy to prove some charges that they have made, but it is always better to back down, and it is always wise for the truth to be known where the reputation of a public official is at stake, even though a board or an individual may be obliged to take backwater because of later findings.

Mr. Walker has a great many friends and we are inclined to think that he deserves most of them. He may not always have done the wisest thing, and he may have made some mistakes, but in this case he certainly deserves a little bit better consideration from the government than he appears to have had up to the present time.

Developing a Merchant Marine

What a misfortune it is that the public doesn't give more time to some of the important questions of government, so that when such issues arise as that now associated with the Ship Purchase Bill pending in Congress, the average man will have more knowledge of what is involved. Few men can qualify as experts, but all of us can get the fundamentals so that we can use common sense in rendering an opinion or uttering a protest, where there is directly involved such a dangerous proceeding as is involved in the suggestion that the government shall go into the business of carrying on the merchant marine.

If we can ever reach the place where party politics will be eliminated, and men will approach the question of building up a merchant marine as a purely business proposition, we will solve the problem of developing the commerce of the United States. When that time comes, the only manner in which policies will enter will be by an exhibition of courage by whatever party may be in power, to establish a proper subsidy as the basis for the development of ocean travel with a foresight as pronounced as that exhibited by every other important nation where a subsidized merchant marine has developed into one of the nation's greatest assets.

Andover's Important Day

It may be possible that Andover's town warrant will not be as long as it has been in some previous years, but if all signs are to be believed, it is pretty sure to be full of interesting problems for discussion the first Monday in March. Not the least interesting of these problems will have to do with the

same old Punchard question which has been discussed in some phase or other at every town meeting for the last forty years. It has never come up before, however, with quite such a big bunch of money tied to it as there is at the present time, and it would be very unfortunate if it is allowed to go through as some recent appropriations have gone through, without a fuller understanding of all of the phases than now exists among the people at large.

Aside from the question of a new high school, the road problem will still hold its place as one demanding a great deal of thought and a big appropriation. It looks very much as if some excellent progress had been made in the past year in rehabilitating the Andover highways. The real results will be known only after the coming spring opening, but it is certain that the management of the department has been better than for some time, and a better feeling exists among the people employed in the department, largely because efficient business methods have been applied and some actual control has been established. The first Monday in March is the one big day for Andover taxpayers, and it is not too early to give serious attention to the many questions involved in it.

Editorial Cinders

Andover isn't going to be entirely free from trouble, to come on account of more unemployed than usual during the coming year. With this fact, why wouldn't it be wise for some organized movement to shape itself pretty soon, looking toward the use of some large tract of land for a cooperative farm. It would be possible to have this work properly organized and directed so that a group of men could be employed under a competent foreman to work whenever they were not otherwise engaged and raise, for example, enough potatoes to supply the entire town of Andover with what it requires for potatoes next year, or if the potatoes were not raised for marketing purposes, would it not be possible to have the men awarded plots of ground, properly fertilized, properly superintended, so that each man could raise his own supply of potatoes and other vegetables. This is only offered as a suggestion in connection with a problem so far-reaching, that Andover is not likely to escape some of the trouble arising from it. Let us begin to think out some service of this sort in which men can be employed the coming summer, if the emergency arises, to the advantage of the individual involved, and the town at large.

The action of the Massachusetts Senate in passing for a second year the Equal Suffrage bill was expected, and there is little question but that the House will follow suit. It is interesting, however, to note a statement by Senator Wells which is undoubtedly true, that while the Senate voted 34 to 4 to submit the measure to the people, the canvass showed that 26 of the Senators out of the 40 would vote against it when it comes before the people. In other words there is very little opposition in the State at the present time against allowing the people to pass upon the question of whether or not Woman Suffrage should prevail in Massachusetts. When it comes up for consideration by all the people, it looks as if there would be a very different story. The agitation during the past two years has focused much attention on the subject, and there are not going to be a great many people who will not be informed when the time comes for a state opinion.

It begins to look as if very few people in the United States would be able to protect themselves from a compulsory contribution to the European war relief very much longer. With the price of wheat soaring so that it looks as if flour would be \$12.00 a barrel and bread correspondingly high, the average man is going to find, when he pays for the "staff of life", whether he wants to or not, he is a direct contributor to the relief of the suffering people abroad. Under the circumstances, we begin to feel that "conservation" may very properly be applied at the present time to the funds and ability of the American people to take care of themselves. There are some cases where sufficient wealth is possessed by people to go abroad with their charities, but it looks as if the United States would have its own problem to solve if the war should continue another year, and it isn't too early to sound the warning.

T. W. T. Club

In spite of the heavy snow and threatening weather, 22 members and friends of the T. W. T. club of the South church gathered at the vestry on Tuesday evening to have fun and frolic. It was gentlemen's night and the young ladies proved themselves hospitable hostesses.

Several games were played which added to the evening's entertainment among them being an auction sale, pulling for fortunes, and a peanut hunt. Later in the evening icecream and cake were served.

Christ Church Service

The order of service for Sexagesima Sunday at Christ church at 10.30 o'clock will be as follows:

Organ Prelude	T. A. Jeffery
Processional, Hymn 311	W. A. Moore
Introut Anthem, "Jesu, Word of God Incarnate"	Anders
Kyrie Eleison	H. W. Parker
Gloria Tibi	H. R. Shelley
Hymn 294	G. M. Garrett
Offertory Anthem, "Hark, Hark My Soul"	E. Miller
Sanctus	J. B. Dykes
Communion Hymn 231	
Gloria in Excelsis	
Recessional, Hymn 396	
Organ Postlude	

GRANGE ANNIVERSARY

Twenty-five Years of Progress to be Fittingly Observed Next
Tuesday With All Day Session

On next week, Tuesday, the 25th birthday of the Andover Grange, Patrons of Husbandry, will be observed with appropriate exercises which are given below. Owing to the limitations of the hall, all who are generally welcome cannot be invited, but a number of special invitations have been sent out and it is hoped that the local members will turn out in full force.

The afternoon exercises will consist of the usual introductory features to be followed by representative speakers from the State and local Grange. This will be followed by speakers on a subject bearing on the relation of the Grange to the community. The banquet will be at 6 o'clock with Post Prandial exercises. The evening exercises will consist of the regular Grange meeting to be followed by music and reading and reminiscences by the Past Master.

The speakers will be as follows: State Past Master Elmer D. Howe, State Master E. A. Chapman, Past Master Samuel H. Boutwell, Worthy Master Fred A. Swanton, Mrs. Isaac C. Day of Bradford, Peter Holt of North Andover, Rev. Newman Matthews, Nathan C. Hamblin, Hon. John N. Cole. These are included in the afternoon's program.

In the evening the past masters who will speak will be Samuel H. Boutwell, Joshua H. Chandler, Edward W. Burt, James J. Abbott, Milo H. Gould, Charles L. Bailey, Nathan R. Bailey, Samuel H. Bailey, Fred M. Hill, Edward W. Boutwell, George L. Averill, Frank M. Foster, Ralph A. Bailey, George M. Carter and Fred A. Swanton.

Institution of the Grange

From the Townsman files of 25 years ago the following is quoted:

"A large and enthusiastic meeting of those interested in forming a Grange of the patrons of husbandry in Andover was held in the chapel of the West church last Friday evening. . . . Selectman Boutwell and Mr. E. F. Holt are among the leaders in the movement in Andover and they made brief and pertinent remarks. . . . Twenty-five names were obtained for the charter list and a meeting is to be held next Monday at 7.30 in the West church vestry, when a strong order will undoubtedly be established. Any farmer interested is invited to be present at this time and unite with the Grange."

The next week the Grange was instituted and the following elected officers: Master, S. H. Boutwell; overseer, Peter D. Smith; lecturer, Joseph T. Lovejoy; steward, J. J. Abbott; assistants, S. H. Bailey and Mrs. E. F. Abbott; chaplain, Miss Emma L. Ward; treasurer, E. W. Burt; secretary, Miss Bertha A. Chandler; gatekeeper, E. F. Abbott; Pomona, Mrs. J. J. Abbott; Flora, Mrs. J. W. Moore; Ceres, Mrs. S. H. Bailey. The charter members of whom six are deceased are Edward W. Abbott, Hattie R. Abbott, James J. Abbott, Lucy A. Abbott, Samuel H. Boutwell, Edward W. Boutwell, Lilla H. Boutwell, Samuel H. Bailey, Elizabeth B. Bailey, Edward W. Burt, Emma A. Burt, Charles C. Blunt, Joshua H. Chandler, Eldesta C. Chandler, Bertha A. Chandler, Sumner

Carruth, Herman M. Chapman, Lucy A. Chapman, William J. Clark, Henry K. Flint, Henry A. Hayward, John E. Holt, Edward S. Hardy, Charles A. Jameson, George E. Kline, Joseph T. Lovejoy, J. Warren Moore, Nellie E. Moor, Alfred Playdon, Peter D. Smith, M. Lizzie Stevens, George D. Ward, Emma L. Ward, and Horace A. Wadsworth.

Thus from small beginnings was the Andover Grange started and has come to be one of the leading social organizations in the town. It will be noticed that in the first notice "farmers were invited." Today, anyone interested in the products of the soil, which are really the sustenance of life, are cordially invited to join.

The Grange stands for more than the mere digging of the dirt and planting the seeds preparatory to harvest. It takes up in its meetings the latest improvements in agricultural implements; the best devices for making a successful farm, the pruning, spraying and watchful care necessary to a bountiful crop. It goes further. The education of the children of its patrons is an important item of its work; to bring them up to love the farm and what it stands for and to make of them successful men and women, whether they be farmers when they grow up or practitioners in other professions.

Since 25 years have passed the local organization has increased in numbers from 25 to 233. Its growth as a factor in the town's life has also been in proportion until today it is one of the best social centers that the town has. Grange night is planned for beforehand; it takes the precedent over other events that are scheduled for the same night. During the 25 years, it has provided for the life and sociability of the town by its numerous entertainments and suppers where the hand of fellowship is always extended and everyone is welcome. Its loyal patrons have been firm in their support and have labored hard for its success.

The Dedication of the Building

On January 14, 1896, the present Grange building, which was started in August, 1895, and finished in December of that year, was dedicated with appropriate exercises. About 200 Grangers were present, the entertainment being furnished from 3 to 12 p.m. The exercises were presided over by Charles L. Bailey, the worthy master at that time, and the keys were formally received from C. W. Flanders, the contractor, and his work approved by the building committee.

"State Master Howe then proceeded to address the Grange in ritual form, which was followed by the erection of the altar and the solemn dedication of it to the uses of the order. The altar-bearers were Edward S. Hardy, J. H. Playdon, Mrs. E. S. Hardy and Mrs. N. H. Perkins. The music for the ceremony was furnished by members of the Grange under the charge of T. E. Rhodes, who presided at the piano."

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CARTOONIST and HUMORIST

Alton Packard Entertains a Large Audience in the R. C. O. A. Course last night at Town Hall

Last evening in the town hall the third in the series of R. C. O. A. entertainments took place. For variety, the R. C. O. A. is to be congratulated, for in their entertainments they have certainly given various kinds enough to satisfy all who have attended.

Last evening's performance was entirely the work of one man and he was an artist in his line. He was wholly at home with his crayons and drew with surprisingly few strokes different faces representing the kinds of people who belong to this country in its different parts and possessions.

All the while his fingers were working he kept up a steady flow of description, jokes and wit that kept the audience constantly laughing and breaking forth into applause.

Mr. Packard, to whom much praise has been given by all those who have seen his deft work, is certainly an entertainer. His subject was Uncle Sam and the U. S. A., and he chose different characters from representative parts of the United States and portrayed their features to perfection. He made a picture of a New York dude and his ancestor the English "dook" with his simple face, eyeglass and cigarette, and one of the fashion-plate doll with her fluffy ruffles and pug dog. In contrast he drew the face of a sweet-faced American girl, which showed that caricature was only one of his specialties.

Mr. Packard is at home at the piano also, and he played various selections of his own composition which were exceedingly funny and were encored again and again. His last picture was a sunset scene placed, as it were, in a crystal ball which he inscribed with one sweep of his arm, and an old farmhouse with adjoining trees and orchard. The old father and mother, hand in hand, are gazing into the sunset and seeing visions of bygone days.

In this picture Mr. Packard showed what he could do with the co-mingling of different-colored crayons and the effect was excellent. A large audience greatly appreciated the fine entertainment.

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Honors in Tennessee

The following from the Knoxville, Tennessee, "Sentinel" of January 19, is of interest to Andover readers in that Mr. Frost is the son of Rev. George B. Frost of Highland road.

"Dr. Elliott Tart Frost succeeds Dr. H. E. Buchanan, resigned, as the new faculty member and chairman of the Tennessee Athletic council. This appointment was made by Dr. Brown Ayres, president of the University of Tennessee, Monday afternoon following the council election at the 'hill' and just before Dr. Ayres left for a business trip to Nashville.

"Dr. Frost recently came to the University of Tennessee from the east, and during his short sojourn at the 'hill' has made a large number of friends. He takes a keen interest in all the athletic events of that institution and in picking him to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Dr. H. E. Buchanan, Dr. Ayres believes he has found a man who will carry forward to a successful conclusion the work undertaken by Dr. Buchanan.

Abbott Academy Notes

Miss Bailey and the seniors returned yesterday from a house-party of several days at Intervale, where they thoroughly enjoyed the winter sports.

The school has heard two very interesting talks during the past week, one on some principles of criticism in art by H. Winthrop Peirce, and a stereoscopic lecture on Jerusalem by Mr. Stackpole.

Thanks to the generosity of Miss Susan B. Chase of Brooklyn of the class of 1893, all the members of the French department have been able to see the French players who are now acting at the Toy Theatre in Boston.

Tomorrow at the Hotel Vendome will be held the joint mid-winter meeting of the Alumnae Association and the Boston Abbot Club. The reception will be at half past twelve and the lunch at one o'clock.

Installation of A. O. H. Officers

In spite of the bad storm there was a large attendance at the joint installation of the officers of Division 6 Ancient Order of Hibernians and the Ladies Auxiliary held in the Workman Hall, Tuesday evening.

County President Frank H. McDonald of this town installed the officers of Division 6 and Mrs. Katherine O'Keefe O'Mahoney of Lawrence, county president, installed the Ladies Auxiliary. The officers installed were:

Division 6, A. O. H.—President, John Traynor; vice-president, Samuel Lewis; chairman of standing committee, Bernard McDonald; treasurer, Robert Winters; recording secretary, Thos. Rogers; financial secretary, Frank McDonald; sergeant-at-arms, Malachi Lynch; sentinel, David O'Keefe; physician, Dr. J. J. Daley.

Ladies' auxiliary—President, Miss Bessie O'Sullivan; vice-president, Miss Mary Welch; recording secretary, Miss Agnes McCarthy; financial secretary, Katherine Driscoll; mistress of arms, Miss Elizabeth Casey; sentinel, Miss Margaret Cleary.

The local division has had a most successful career and has the largest membership of any order in town, due largely to the enthusiasm and effort of its president, John Traynor.

Following the installation an excellent program was rendered and refreshments were served.

Andover Historical Society

Valuable objects for the Society's collection continue to arrive at 71 Main street, and the work of arranging and cataloging continues to go forward. There is, however, always room for more; and there must still be articles which the public would be interested to see, going to waste in many a cellar and garret in the town.

RECOMMEND NEW HIGH SCHOOL

School Committee Votes to Ask Town for \$100,000 to Build and Equip a New School. Public Meetings to be Held and Possible Plans Presented.

The last school committee meeting before town election was held on Tuesday evening in the committee room. The report of the special committee on the new High school was presented and as a result they intend to insert an article in the town warrant to see if the town will appropriate the sum of \$100,000 to build and equip a new High school, and to provide necessary changes in the central heating plant. The special committee consists of Henry Bodwell, Alfred E. Stearns, John C. Angus, Fredric G. Moore and Thomas E. Rhodes. Estimates were submitted to the School Board comparing the cost of remodeling the old building and erecting a new one and the plan of having a new school house was much in favor.

The proposed plans of remodeling and building a new school will be presented to the citizens of the town, both in the Centre and at Ballardvale at special meetings previous to the annual town meeting the arrangement of these meetings being left with the chairman Henry A. Bodwell. If found practicable plans for a one story building will also be shown.

The chairman was authorized to present the financial budget for 1915 to the town's finance committee at their meeting Thursday evening. The board granted the use of the Puncture hall to the Andover Natural History society for their meeting to be held in

March and also voted to discontinue the publication of the teacher's salaries in the annual school report. This was done to prevent, if possible, outsiders from offering inducements to the teachers to leave the service of the Andover schools.

The financial statement for the month is as follows:

SCHOOLS	
Teachers	\$2,369.01
Janitors and matron	387.63
Clerk	40.00
Transportation	273.48
Printing	5.50
Carriage hire	13.50
Miscellaneous	103.40
Telephone	7.43
Total	\$3,199.95
SCHOOL HOUSES	
Puncture	\$.85
Stowe	14.55
S. C. Jackson	.45
Indian Ridge	40.55
Bradlee	16.77
Richardson	10.65
North	8.50
Central Heating Plant	17.75
Total	\$110.07
BOOKS AND SUPPLIES	
Books and supplies	\$231.48
INDUSTRIAL SCHOOLS	
Tuition	\$19.99

BELGIAN RELIEF FUND

Andover Sends Liberal Contribution to Help Distressed. Interesting Letter from Mrs. van der Zee

The Andover committee for Belgian Relief received \$206.00.

A draft for \$140.00 has been sent to Mrs. van der Zee in Holland, for the Belgian refugees, and the remainder of the money was spent for 82 sweaters, 27 woolen caps, and one barrel and a half of flour which were sent in a case to Holland that also contained 10 pairs of shoes and a case and a half of condensed milk, besides a generous supply of second hand clothing for men, women and children, contributed by people interested in the cause.

A letter has been received by Mrs. Augustus P. Thompson from her sister, Mrs. van der Zee, expressing her thanks and deep appreciation for Andover's generous gift. She writes:

"After what I have written you about the tubercular children, you will, I am sure, imagine it is for them that the money from Andover will be used.

"Until about six weeks ago these children, all poor from all parts of Belgium, were in a beautiful Home built near Ostend on the Sea, with all manner of comforts and appliances for the cure and mitigation of that dire disease, under direct patronage of her Majesty, Queen of the Belgians, and was a very flourishing and model Home for the little sufferers.

"Then came the war and the German invasion, and one day the Directors received notice from the Germans that the place must be vacated as it was directly in the firing line between the German and Allied Armies. Fly they must. A telegram came to the Dutch Relief Committee, 'May we bring these 240 tubercular children to Holland?' Holland had already one million refugees of all kinds, but of course the answer went back, 'Yes.'

"Hurriedly the children were packed up and rushed to the Dutch border, the German soldiers helping them, and in many cases buttoning their own big coats onto the children, for it was bitterly cold. On the frontier a special train met them and brought them near here. We were almost in despair as to

where to put them, every school, hospital, every available building being packed, but finally they were put in a children's holiday house out in the pine woods, and what a scramble there was to collect bedding and warm things for them all, for we had all given and given until it seemed as if not another blanket could be spared. However, we are learning the meaning of the word necessities, quite a different meaning than one would have given a year ago, and the first night they were warmly tucked away in bed.

"We could not keep them permanently there however, for the house was only built for summer and it was impossible to warm it at all comfortably.

"Now the children have been divided into groups, each with two Belgian nurses and have been taken in different convenient homes where they can be comfortably cared for.

"The one hundred and forty dollars I have received from Andover will enable us to fit out one group, and you can imagine how absolutely delighted I am. I have already ordered 36 bottles of Cod Liver oil.

"I feel sure the kind hearts in Andover will feel that of all the refugees at this sad time, none appeal to us more than these poor little sufferers, with their wan faces, their bad hips and joints, alone in a strange land, most of them having no idea where their parents are, and all so grateful to those who have opened their doors, hearts and purses.

"In the name of all these little sufferers, and their grateful attendants, as well as the Dutch women who are so splendidly giving them their love and everything to alleviate the awful misery brought by this horrible war, I thank you one and all."

The committee wish also to thank those unknown friends who added \$27.80 to the Belgian Fund through money dropped in the boxes. There were two bills one of which was \$10, the five and one cent pieces amounting to \$10.09, showing that there were many responses to the silent appeal.

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SERVICES FOR COMING WEEK

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SEVERE FIGHTS
IN THE EAST

Germans Renew Efforts to Advance to Polish Capital

MEET WITH HEAVY REVERSES

Evident intention to divert Russian Attacks From East Prussia and Hungary—Czar's Forces Reported Pouring Through Passes in the Carpathians, Making Many Important Captures and Annihilating Battalion of German Regiment—Turks Defeated by British in a Sand Storm Close to Suez Canal

With comparative quiet prevailing on the European western front, the fighting in the east, which is more strenuous and widespread, monopolizes attention.

While the Russians are on the offensive in East Prussia, northwestern Poland and in the passes of the Carpathians, the Germans continue their attacks on the Russian lines along the Bzura and Hawka rivers.

The invaders reached the Bzura line about the middle of December and since that time have made at least half a dozen attacks in force against the Russian trenches, each time at undoubted heavy cost.

Nothing daunted, however, they have been repeating the attacks and, while they have made a slight advance, it has been accomplished only after further great losses, according to reports from Petrograd.

Now it is believed the Germans are preparing for still another onslaught, for only by compelling the Russians to strengthen their lines protecting Warsaw can they hope to divert the Russian attacks from East Prussia and Hungary.

Military men in London hold to the belief that the Germans are attempting what seems virtually impossible in their efforts to force their way through to Warsaw.

The Bzura and Bzura lines, which they have been attacking for six weeks, are exceedingly strong, for on the right banks of the rivers, which the Russians for the most part hold, the ground is considerably higher than on the left banks; so that the Russian infantry and artillery have a decided advantage.

Should the Germans break through this barrier there is another line of entrenchments half way between the Bzura and Warsaw with Bionia as the centre, which would have to be forced before the Polish capital fell.

Russians Invade Hungary
Russian troops are swarming into Hungary as the result of Austro-German defeats in the passes of the Carpathians, and the czar's troops are headed for Budapest, the first European capital to be seriously threatened since the German drive at Paris last August.

In spite of immense reinforcements sent by Germany to help the Austrians, the joint Teutonic army has been driven back through the Dukla, Meko Laborca and Lunow passes, controlling the main highways between Galicia and Hungary, and the Russian invaders are reported from Petrograd to be crossing the southern slopes of the Carpathians.

Already, Russian cavalry has advanced many miles to the south, along the roads leading to Budapest. The whole of northern Hungary is reported to be in a state of terror, and thousands of fugitives are fleeing before the Russians toward the capital or westward to the Austrian frontier.

Some of the most violent battling of the war in the east has been necessary before the czar's troops have been able to break the opposition massed before the Carpathian passes.

Advance of Russians
The Russian general staff, in its official statement, in recording the campaign on the Hungarian frontier, says that their forces made a notable advance, fighting along the broad front at Dukla pass as far as the lower reaches of the San river. In this movement they would seem to have swept a large portion of western Galicia clear of Austrians and Germans.

During their wide deployment the czar's troops crossed the principal ridge of the mountain range in the vicinity of Jostiska and Meko Laborca, at which latter pass they captured a battery of six cannon, two mortars, a number of rapid-firing guns and numerous prisoners.

At the Vrsok pass, further to the east, where the Russians have for some time been in full possession, a violent Austro-German attack was repulsed, the loss of the attackers being reported as heavy.

At another mountain pass, the Bekid, the advancing Russians found complete evidence that the Germans have hurried many troops to the assistance of the Austrians. Here the czar's troops practically annihilated a battalion of a German regiment, which was attempting to maneuver into Galicia.

When the Russians had completed their work of destruction, only a remnant of the battalion was left, including battalions and company commanders and about twenty soldiers, all of whom were made prisoners.

British forces had a skirmish with Turks in the neighborhood of Is

mulla on Lake Timsah, on the Suez canal. The Turks badly retreated. The British had six men wounded. The engagement occurred during a sandstorm, but the shooting by the Turks, both with the rifle and artillery, was bad.

The opinion still prevails in London that the Turks will not attempt to cross the desert with a large force, and that the present "pin pricks" were arranged only to compel the British to keep troops in Egypt instead of sending them to France.

RAID ON BRITISH SHIPS

Daring Feats Again Performed by German Submarine

The French ministry of marine announced that two British ships had been torpedoed in the English channel, off Havre, by a German submarine. They are the steamers Tokomaru and Icarus.

The Tokomaru was bound from New Zealand to England. Her crew were rescued by the trawler Semper. Her cargo consisted in part of clothing and a contribution of \$7500, New Zealand's gift to the Belgian refugees. No details are available concerning the torpedoing of the Icarus.

The Tokomaru was a vessel of 3912 tons. She sailed from Newcastle, N. S. W., on Oct. 29. Shipping records make no mention of the Icarus.

The toll taken by the German submarine U-21, in its raid Saturday afternoon in the Irish sea, in the vicinity of Liverpool, still stands at three ships—the steamers Ben Cruachan, Linda Blanche and the Kilcoan, the latter a small vessel. The crew of the Kilcoan was landed on the Isle of Man by a coastwise steamer.

The commander of the submarine gave the crews of the steamships time to take to their small boats before launching the torpedoes that sent the vessels to the bottom.

The crews of the Ben Cruachan and the Linda Blanche were landed at Fleetwood by trawlers which rescued them from their small boats. They reported that the Germans told them where the trawlers were located and also gave them cigarettes and chocolate after they had expressed regret that it was necessary to torpedo the steamships.

TO CONSIDER WAR ONLY

All Domestic Measures Laid Aside in British Parliament

Premier Asquith presented a resolution in the house of commons to devote the present session entirely to government measures.

"There is no precedent for this resolution," said the premier, "but all our energies as a nation are concentrated on the war and every interest must be subordinated to this overmastering purpose. Accordingly, the government proposes to take away the opportunity for private members to introduce bills, and will confine its legislative proposals to measures for the prosecution of the war."

Mr. Law, speaking for the opposition, agreed to the resolution. He said the opposition intended to treat the present sitting of the house as a war session, as had been done in Canada and France.

FOOD PRICES SOARING

British People Paying Fifty Percent More For Their Bread

While English newspapers continue to feature every article, authoritative or otherwise, tending to show that Germany is suffering from food shortages, the abrupt increase in food prices in Great Britain refuses longer to be concealed, and the labor element threatens to bring the matter before parliament.

Bread has increased 50 percent in price to the consumer. The effect of this on the poor is drastic. All agencies concerned are seeking to pass the blame to someone else.

Ship owners shrug their shoulders when asked about increased freight charges. "The supply of ships is not equal to the demand," they say—and dismiss the subject.

TO PAY TOTAL OF \$15,000

Canada Will Settle For Killing and Wounding Duck Hunters

Under an agreement reached at Washington the Canadian government will settle claims growing out of the recent shooting of two American duck hunters by Canadian militiamen, by paying \$10,000 to the parents of Walter Smith, who was killed.

It was also agreed to pay \$5000 to Charles Dorsch, who was wounded, in addition to all legal expenses.

Cattle Plague Hits State Herd
Seven cows in the herd of seventy-three cattle on the farm of the state hospital at Worcester, Mass., were discovered to be infected with the foot and mouth disease and the entire herd, valued at \$30,000, is to be slaughtered in an effort to prevent a spread of the disease.

Lynn's Generous Offer to State
The Lynn, Mass., park commission has offered to deed the Lynn woods to the Metropolitan park commission. This is the largest natural park in the state, having 2500 acres, and is assessed for \$101,000.

Greek Heir to Wed Roumanian Princess
Princess Elizabeth of Roumania is to become the bride of Crown Prince George of Greece, the marriage to take place in the spring.

Death of Old Indian Fighter
Elphalet Johnson, 98, widely known as an Indian fighter in the frontier days, died at Dresden, Kan. He was born in New York.

FOR BENEFIT OF
ALL THE PEOPLE

President Urges Business to Cooperate With Government

SAYS WE MUST FEED WORLD

Spirit of Self-Sacrifice Should Be Shown in Peace as Well as War—Business Men Themselves to Blame If Intelligent Laws Affecting Them Are Not Framed at Washington

Co-operation between business and the government in framing laws for the benefit of the people was urged by President Wilson in an address before representative business men attending the annual convention at Washington of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States. He declared that "we must pool our interests in order to discover the best means for handling public problems."

The creation in the United States in time of peace of the same kind of united spirit which moves nations during war was advocated by the president, who remarked that "when peace is as handsome as war, there will be no wars," and "when men engage in the pursuits of peace in the same spirit of self-sacrifice as they engage in war, wars will disappear."

The president predicted that, while there is a shortage of food in the world now, the shortage will be much greater. He pointed out that, under the guidance of the department of agriculture, efforts must be made by farmers in the United States to grow more grain in order that the world may be fed.

Speaking of the foreign trade of the United States, the president asked that business men devise some way of allowing exporters in the United States to combine to secure common selling agencies and to give long time credits in such a way that these co-operative devices may be open to the use of all.

He declared that apparently the anti-trust laws prohibited such combinations now, but that he would favor a change if a method fair to all could be found. He spoke of the work being done by the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce in "surveying the world" for the benefit of all business men.

Business men themselves are to blame if intelligent laws affecting them are not framed, the president said. He added that they should come out into the open and use their knowledge of conditions to bring about fair laws to prevent business evils.

The Mexican question was mentioned by Wilson as an example of the difficulty he had in getting accurate information.

KILLED BY "LAUGHING GAS"

Young Boston Dentist Meets Death While Testing Machine

Dr. Hermann H. Stahl, 31, a Boston dentist, was found dead on the floor of his office with a gas inhaler over his face and the tank nozzle opened.

After considering all the circumstances in the case Medical Examiner Magrath said that in his opinion Stahl had met accidental death.

It is assumed that Stahl was testing the gas on himself and before he realized it permitted too much of the anesthetic to enter his body. Then he collapsed and was unable to check the flow before death resulted.

THREE MEN PERISH

Overheated Stove Believed to Have Set Home on Fire

Three men were burned to death in a fire which destroyed a small dwelling on the Jay road near Livermore Falls, Me. The dead:

H. A. Plant, aged 47; Ernest Penney, 36; William King, 43. The other occupant of the house, Fred Douglass, escaped with severe burns.

Coroner Dillingham decided that a fire was unnecessary. The fire is believed to have been caused by an overheated stove.

ONE YEAR IN JAIL

Sentence of McSweeney of Lynn, Convicted of Manslaughter

John McSweeney of Lynn, Mass., was found guilty of manslaughter in causing the death of M. C. McGarry at Lynn on Oct. 28, 1914.

McGarry sustained a broken neck as the result of being pushed down a flight of steps at McSweeney's house. McSweeney was sentenced to one year in the house of correction.

Telephone Inquiry Ordered
The Massachusetts house adopted an order directing an investigation of the rates and services of the New England Telephone and Telegraph company and its relations to the American Telephone and Telegraph company.

Ninth Death on the San Diego
The explosion aboard the flagship San Diego claimed another victim with the death of Ralph B. Glidden, a fireman. His death is the sixth and four men remain seriously injured.

Work For Eight Thousand
Eight thousand men, returned to work at the Homestead works of the Carnegie Steel company at Pittsburgh. The plant resumed operations almost in full.

MAGRATH IS NAMED
MEDICAL EXAMINER

His Reappointment Had Been Hung Up For a Year

Governor Walsh of Massachusetts sent to the executive council the reappointment of Dr. G. B. Magrath as medical examiner for Suffolk county.

Magrath's term expired a year ago and he has been serving as a hold-over since that time. The new term for which he is reappointed is for a period of seven years, dating from the expiration of his previous term. The income of the position, including fees, is about \$5000 a year.

A strenuous fight had been made against Magrath's appointment, headed by Martin Lomasney of Boston. The verdict rendered in the North Grove street morgue robbery case, in which two of three defendants were convicted, entirely freed Magrath from allegations that have been made against him and which have been the cause of Walsh holding up his reappointment.

DEMURRER OVERRULED

Federal Court Upholds Indictment of Terre Haute Officials

Judge Anderson, in the United States court for the Indiana district, overruled the demurrer of twenty-seven defendants to the indictment charging conspiracy to corrupt the Terre Haute elections. The jurisdiction of the court was attacked.

As a result of the ruling, 115 Terre Haute politicians must stand trial. Of these, eighty-three pleaded guilty and five not guilty. Mayor Roberts, Judge Kedman and Sheriff Shea are prominent among those who will fight the case. With them are most of the Terre Haute official family.

The indictment was upheld in every particular. Following the decision the twenty-seven who demurred pleaded not guilty. The cases of the 115 defendants were set for trial March 4.

GIFFORD JURY DISAGREES

Result of Second Trial of Youth Charged With Murder

For a second time a jury at Albany in the case of Malcolm Gifford, Jr., Hudson society youth, charged with the murder of Frank J. Clute, a chauffeur, has disagreed.

The jury was discharged following its failure to agree during almost twenty-one hours' deliberation.

Within a week the defendant's counsel will move the dismissal of the indictment. The present jury, it is authoritatively stated, stood eleven for acquittal and one for conviction.

Gifford's bail of \$25,000 was continued. He will return to the preparatory school he has been attending in Massachusetts. District Attorney Alexander says he is undecided about calling the case for a third trial.

GENERAL NEWS EVENTS

Alban J. Conant, 92, poet-artist, whose war picture of "The Smiling Lincoln" made him famous, died at New York from old age.

Emmy Destina, the dramatic soprano, took out her first citizenship papers at New York. She was born in Prague of Bohemian parents.

George Boutell, 32, committed suicide at North Adams, Mass. Fear of approaching insanity is thought to have been the cause of the deed.

The Gibbs heddle factory, manufacturing parts of weaving machinery, was burned at Leicester, Mass., with a loss of \$100,000.

Charles E. Reed, 79, who served fifty-four years continuously in the employ of C. F. Hovey & Co., Boston, died of heart failure.

Fire destroyed a large cow barn at Danvers, Mass., owned by Dr. M. L. Chamberlain of Boston, and caused a loss of \$12,000.

William J. Hickey and Eli M. Gross, secretary-treasurer and vice president, respectively, of the Colorado Federation of Labor, were arrested, charged with murder.

Caught stealing a loaf of bread, Dominick Margold, Jr., a youth, was shot and killed at Cleveland by Joseph Finders, a grocer.

Professor S. H. Hadley, 70, noted musical director, composer, pianist and church organist, died at Boston, following a surgical operation.

Enfield, Mass., shifted from no license to license at the annual town meeting. The vote was yes, 65; no, 61.

Almon Libby, 50, a farmer, committed suicide at Princeton, Me., by shooting. He was despondent on account of ill health.

Mrs. Lucy Allen, 90, who lived alone at Boston, was burned to death by the explosion of a kerosene lamp, which she dropped.

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MAINE BRIDGE IS DYNAMITED

Structure on Canadian Boundary Is Partially Wrecked

GERMAN OFFICER ARRESTED

Explosive Cap, Plan of Bridge and German Flag Found in Pockets of Prisoner, Who Is Said to Have Admitted Charges Made Against Him by Maine Officials

An attempt to destroy the railroad bridge spanning the St. Croix river, which forms the international boundary between eastern Maine and New Brunswick, was made at Vanceboro, Me., and one of the three spans of the structure was blown up by dynamite.

Inquiry led to the arrest at a local hotel of a man who gave his name as Van Horn. According to the police, the prisoner claimed to be an officer in the service of Germany, but refused to divulge his rank.

The police assert that he admitted that he exploded the dynamite under a section of the bridge and that a dynamite cap and a plan of the bridge were found in his pockets.

In the winter season St. John is the principal eastern port of Canada, and thence has come from Montreal and further west great quantities of provisions and other munitions of war for shipment to England and France. The shipments have passed over the bridge which it was sought to destroy.

It is a part of the most direct route from the west, as, cutting across the state of Maine, it is several hundred miles shorter than the northern route operated by the Canadian government, which follows the St. Lawrence river to Little Metis, Que., and then turns south to Moncton, St. John and Halifax. The loss of the bridge would delay, but not interrupt, the transportation of war materials to the coast.

Railroad officials, after a careful examination of the bridge, decided that the explosion had been a failure as far as serious damage was concerned. The intention apparently had been to blow out one of the abutments, but this was not successful. Instead, the force of the explosion was up through the bridge.

Sleepers were blown out, the rails were twisted and a girder was damaged, but repairs can be made within a day. The foundation of the span was not damaged.

Temporary repairs were made so that cars could be pushed across one at a time, within a few hours, by a wrecking crew from Bangor. A plank walk was laid across the ice for passengers to cross the river.

The bridge is the connecting link between the Maine Central and the Canadian Pacific tracks, the Canadian Pacific having traffic light over the former road from Mattawamkeag to the boundary. This is the through route from upper and western Canada to the maritime provinces, directly connecting Montreal with the ports of St. John and Halifax.

The attack on the bridge caused great excitement on the New Brunswick side, where rumors of a German plot spread rapidly and resulted in an immediate investigation by the principal authorities.

Van Horn, according to the police, described himself as 37 years of age. He is 5 feet 11 inches in height and weighs about 200 pounds. He is smooth shaven. The arrest was made by Deputy Sheriff Ross, who was accompanied by a Maine Central railroad detective and two Canadian officers from MacAdam Junction, N. B.

The man was removed to the United States immigration rooms, where he was closely guarded. Ross notified the United States marshal and the United States district attorney at Portland, asking for instructions.

When taken into custody at his room in the hotel Van Horn made no resistance, but is alleged to have told the officers the circumstances of the dynamiting. He did not appear to be able to speak very good English. There were no papers found to identify him. In a coat pocket he carried a German flag.

Asked why he had dynamited the bridge, the prisoner, the police say, made the simple explanation that his country was at war with Great Britain and that Canada was a part of the enemy's country. He said, according to the officers, that he came from New York, having left that city on Friday night, and arrived in Vanceboro Saturday.

The arrest of Van Horn has aroused special interest because of the fact that he was taken into custody on American territory and was made a prisoner of the state of Maine. To avoid possible complications, the local authorities made no further move pending advice from the federal government.

The Canadian authorities indicated that they would immediately make representations at Washington with a view to extradition on the ground that the dynamiting had been done on the Canadian side of the border.

On the other hand, it was said that Van Horn would be defended against extradition, basing his claim for the protection of the United States on his assertion that he had committed an act of war and that his offense was political.

DECLARED HEIR TO \$500,000 ESTATE

Slingsby's Son Wins Long-Drawn-Out Contest

The probate court at London decided that the son of Charles H. Slingsby is the legitimate heir to the \$500,000 baronial property of the Slingsby family in Yorkshire. The case has been before the courts for nearly two years.

Charles R. Slingsby, formerly a lieutenant in the British navy and afterwards a resident of San Francisco, is in possession of the property which was devised to his offspring. When he asked the court to confirm the succession, a younger brother protested on the ground that the child was not a legitimate son, but an infant substituted by the lieutenant's wife when her own child died.

Since the case has been on trial evidence has been taken in California and records produced there to prove the child the legitimate son and heir of the Slingsbys.

REAL LEAP FOR DEATH

Sensational Suicide at Boston of a Circus Performer

Ernest W. Steele, circus and vaudeville performer, who had thrilled thousands by his act of "a leap for life," ended his career in a deliberate "leap for death" from the roof of his wife's home at Boston after tossing his baby son to the sidewalk.

The little boy, David, 20 months old, was thrown so far out by his father that he landed in the snow by the curb, and though he had fallen twenty-five feet and his jaw was broken, he is expected to live.

Before attempting the life of the boy, Steele had attacked his wife with a blackjack and had threatened members of her family with a knife. The police believe insanity was responsible for his acts.

Steele and his wife had been living apart for about seventeen months and during that time had seen each other about once a week.

KILLS THREE AND SELF

Real Estate Operator Uses Rifle Equipped With Maxim Silencer

Investigation of the slaying of his wife and two daughters at New York by Herman Auerbach shows that Auerbach, who afterwards killed himself, used a rifle equipped with a Maxim silencer.

The coroner expressed the belief that Auerbach's despondency was due to recent depreciation in value of mortgages and securities which he held. Until a few years ago Auerbach had been a member of a card firm in this city, from which he withdrew to devote his attention to real estate. A few months ago, it is said, his property was valued at nearly \$1,000,000.

TWO CHILDREN DROWN

Chum Who Was With Them Feared to Tell of Double Fatality

Seven-year-old Thomas Ewart saw William Edwards, also 7, and Ellen Edwards, 5, his playmates, drown in the Charles river at Newton, Mass., but, fearing a whipping for playing on the ice, he told no one of the tragedy for several hours.

The boy and girl who were drowned were the children of Harry L. Edwards, a coachman. Thomas is the son of John E. Ewart, overseer of the Newton almshouse.

FOR MURDERING BROTHER

Mulkerrin Given Life Sentence in Maine State Prison

Michael J. Mulkerrin of Portland, Me., convicted of the murder of his brother, Patrick, was sentenced to life imprisonment in the state prison, in the supreme court at Portland.

An appeal to the supreme court had failed to secure a new trial. Patrick Mulkerrin was shot during a quarrel in a barn last summer.

WILSON WANTS TWO BATTLESHIPS

President Wilson stood pat for a two battleship program this year. He told Chairman Tillman of the senate naval committee he believed public opinion demands that this plan be maintained.

IN BOSTON MARKETS

Quotations given here are strictly wholesale and retailers must expect to pay more for small lots:

Butter—Northern creamery extras, 32 1/2 @ 33c; western creamery extras, 32 @ 32 1/2c; western firsts, 29 @ 30c. Cheese—York state fancy, 16 @ 16 1/2c; fair to good, 15 @ 15 1/2c; Young America, 14 1/2 @ 17c.

Eggs—Choice henner and nearby, 37 @ 38c; eastern extras, 36 @ 37c; western extras, 36 @ 37c; western prime firsts, 35 @ 36c; western firsts, 34 @ 35c; storage firsts, 36 @ 37c.

Apples—Baldwins, cold storage fancy, \$2.50 @ 2.75 bbl; fresh packed No. 1, \$2 @ 2.25; No. 2, \$1.50 @ 1.75. Grapes—1.75 @ 2.25; russets \$1.5 @ 1.75; Ben Davis, \$1.50 @ 1.75; sweet apples, \$1.75 @ 2.50.

Potatoes—Arrostook Green Mountain, \$1 @ 1.10 per 3-bu bag; sweet potatoes, \$1.25 @ 1.35 bbl.

Dressed poultry—Northern fowl, 16 @ 20c; native broilers, 35 @ 38c; northern chickens, 18 @ 23c; turkeys, western dry packed, 20 @ 23c; native squab, \$4 @ 4.50 doz; native pigeons, \$1.75 @ 2 doz.

PAYROLL OF CIVILIZATION MET BY FARMER

WANTS NO "DEADHEADS" ON LIST OF EMPLOYEES.

A CALL UPON THE LAW MAKERS TO PREVENT USELESS TAX UPON AGRICULTURE.

By Peter Radford

Lecturer National Farmers' Union

The farmer is the paymaster of industry and as such he must meet the nation's payroll. When industry pays its bill it must make a sight draft upon agriculture for the amount, which the farmer is compelled to honor without protest. This check drawn upon agriculture may travel to and fro over the highways of commerce; may build cities; girdle the globe with bands of steel; may search hidden treasures in the earth or traverse the skies, but in the end it will rest upon the soil. No dollar will remain suspended in midair; it is as certain to seek the earth's surface as an apple that falls from a tree.

When a farmer buys a plow he pays the man who mined the metal, the woodman who felled the tree, the manufacturer who assembled the raw material and shaped it into an article of usefulness, the railroad that transported it and the dealer who sold him the goods. He pays the wages of labor and capital employed in the transaction as well as pays for the tools, machinery, buildings, etc., used in the construction of the commodity and the same applies to all articles of use and diet of himself and those engaged in the subsidiary lines of industry.

There is no payroll in civilization that does not rest upon the back of the farmer. He must pay the bills—all of them.

The total value of the nation's annual agricultural products is around \$12,000,000,000, and it is safe to estimate that 95 cents on every dollar goes to meeting the expenses of subsidiary industries. The farmer does not work more than thirty minutes per day for himself; the remaining thirteen hours of the day's toil he devotes to meeting the payroll of the hired hands of agriculture, such as the manufacturer, railroad, commercial and other servants.

The Farmer's Payroll and How He Meets It.

The annual payroll of agriculture approximates \$12,000,000,000. A portion of the amount is shifted to foreign countries in exports, but the total payroll of industries working for the farmer divides substantially as follows: Railroads, \$1,252,000,000; manufacturers, \$4,355,000,000; mining, \$655,000,000; banks, \$300,000,000; mercantile \$3,500,000,000, and a heavy miscellaneous payroll constitutes the remainder.

It takes the corn crop, the most valuable in agriculture, which sold last year for \$1,892,000,000, to pay off the employees of the railroads; the money derived from our annual sales of livestock of approximately \$2,000,000,000, the yearly cotton crop, valued at \$920,000,000, the wheat crop, which is worth \$610,000,000, and the oat crop, that is worth \$440,000,000, are required to meet the annual payroll of the manufacturers. The money derived from the remaining staple crops is used in meeting the payroll of the bankers, merchants, etc. After these obligations are paid, the farmer has only a few bunches of vegetables, some fruit and poultry which he can sell and call the proceeds his own.

When the farmer pays off his help he has very little left and to meet these tremendous payrolls he has been forced to mortgage homes, work women in the field and increase the hours of his labor. We are, therefore, compelled to call upon all industries dependent upon the farmers for subsistence to retrench in their expenditures and to cut off all unnecessary expenses. This course is absolutely necessary in order to avoid a reduction in wages, and we want, if possible, to retain the present wage scale paid railroad and all other industrial employees.

We will devote this article to a discussion of unnecessary expenses and whether required by law or permitted by the managements of the concerns, is wholly immaterial. We want all waste labor and extravagance, of whatever character, cut out. We will mention the full crew bill as

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Illustrating the character of unnecessary expenses to which we refer.

Union Opposes "Full Crew" Bill.

The Texas Farmers' Union registered its opposition to this character of legislation at the last annual meeting held in Fort Worth, Tex., August 4, 1914, by resolution, which we quote, as follows:

"The matter of prime importance to the farmers of this state is an adequate and efficient marketing system; and we recognize that such a system is impossible without adequate railroad facilities, embracing the greatest amount of service at the least possible cost. We further recognize that the farmers and producers in the end pay approximately 95 per cent of the expenses of operating the railroads, and it is therefore to the interest of the producers that the expenses of the common carriers be as small as is possible, consistent with good service and safety. We, therefore, call upon our law-makers, courts and juries to bear the foregoing facts in mind when dealing with the common carriers of this state, and we do especially reaffirm the declarations of the last annual convention of our State Union, opposing the passage of the so-called 'full-crew' bill before the thirty-third legislature of Texas."

The farmers of Missouri in the last election, by an overwhelming majority, swept this law off the statute book of that state, and it should come out of all statute books where it appears and no legislature of this nation should pass such a law or similar legislation which requires unnecessary expenditures.

The same rule applies to all regulatory measures which increase the expenses of industry without giving corresponding benefits to the public.

There is oftentimes a body of men assembled at legislatures—and they have a right to be there—who, in their zeal for rendering their fellow-associates a service, sometimes favor an increase in the expenses of industry without due regard for the man who bow their backs to the summer's sun to meet the payroll, but these committees, while making a record for themselves, rub the skin off the shoulders of the farmer by urging the legislature to lay another burden upon his heavy load and under the lash of "be it enacted" good him on to pull and surge at the traces of civilization, no matter how he may sweat, foam and gall at the task. When legislatures "cut a melon" for labor they hand the farmer a lemon.

The farmers of the United States are not financially able to carry "dead heads" on their payrolls. Our own hired hands are not paid unless we have something for them to do and we are not willing to carry the hired help of dependent industries unless there is work for them. We must therefore insist upon the most rigid economy.

Legislative House-Cleaning Needed.

While the war is on and there is a lull in business, we want all legislative bodies to take an inventory of the statute books and wipe off all extravagant and useless laws. A good house-cleaning is needed and economies can be instituted here and there that will patch the clothes of indigent children, rest tired mothers and lift mortgages from despondent homes. Unnecessary workmen taken off and useless expenses chopped down all along the line will add to the prosperity of the farmer and encourage him in his mighty effort to feed and clothe the world.

If any of these industries have surplus employees we can use them on the farm. We have no regular schedule of wages, but we pay good farm hands on an average of \$1.50 per day of thirteen hours when they board themselves; work usually runs about nine months of the year and the three months dead time, they can do the chores for their board. If they prefer to farm on their own account, there are more than 14,000,000,000 acres of idle land on the earth's surface awaiting the magic touch of the plow. The compensation is easily obtainable from Federal Agricultural Department statistics. The total average annual sales of a farm in the continental United States amounts to \$516.00; the cost of operation is \$340.00; leaving the farmer \$176 per annum to live on and educate his family.

There is no occasion for the legislatures making a position for surplus employees of industry. Let them come "back to the soil" and share with us the prosperity of the farm.

When honesty is merely a good policy it is a poor virtue.

Lazy farmers are just as useless as dead ones and take up more room.

When the soul communes with the spirit of nature the back to the farm movement prevails.

There are two kinds of farmers. One tries to take all the advice he hears and the other won't take any at all.

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How Russia "Swore off"

A miracle has happened in Russia—a miracle that has put bread in the clipboards of the poor, fires on the hearths, reformed the wife beater, lifted a people from sullenness and despair to happiness and self-respect, writes Christina Merriman for the Survey Press Bureau.

And the miracle, strangely enough, was made possible by Russia's autocratic form of government, under which the Little Father, by one stroke of his pen, put vodka and its temptations beyond the reach of the people—by prohibiting the sale of strong drink in any part of the empire.

Henry W. Hiller, who for the last thirty-one years has spent half of each year in Russia, told me of the wonderful change that had taken place there, and explained that there was nothing half-way about this prohibition.

"I had just landed in Moscow," he said, "I felt a little chilly and sent out for some rum to put in my tea. Not a drop was to be had.

"I hadn't heard till then of the Czar's

usage, but I soon saw the effects of it

upon the men when I went to the shops.

I want to say that I never lived through

a miracle before, but the regeneration

that I saw there was nothing short of

miraculous.

"The Russian peasants speak always

of 'Black Monday' in Russia, for they

usually come to work sullen, stupid

and depressed after a day spent in the

wine shops. And they're lucky, too, if

they can't miss at least one day through

the working week for the same reason—

drink. On pay day the wives who came

—so underfed, so badly clothed—to

wheel from them part of their earnings

to buy food for the children, usually

came too late—all gone.

"Now," continued Mr. Hiller, "this

marvellous change has swept over Rus-

sia like a cyclone—with the noise left

out. It is wonderful. The men come

to work cheerful, sober; their work has

improved credibly. And the women—

as I met them on the streets a great

burden was gradually lifted from me.

They ceased coming after their hus-

bands' pay; and as the weeks wore on,

they and their children began to look

—well, as if they had had a meal—two

meals—finally, three meals a day.

"This is the outward and visible sign

of the change—a change from a people

starving, hopeless, inefficient, slaves to

drink, to a people well nourished, in-

dustry, regenerated.

"Years ago a great movement against

liquor started, an expression of resent-

ment against a government that traded

upon the curse of its people. Then came

the war. The anti-liquor people said:

'Now is the time to strike; it will help

mobilization, and moreover the Czar will

be afraid to refuse us.' And the Czar

had the power to accomplish at one

stroke what some had been working for

for years.

"Do you hear grumbling? Not very

much. Of course, there are always those

who think they must drink or die, and

they did die—some of them, for they

even took to wood alcohol, poor fellows,

in place of vodka. These cases, how-

ever, were few in number. As a class,

peasants were jubilant over the results

of having been put beyond the reach of

temptation. They could not but ac-

knowledge that it was a most beneficial

thing."

As I heard this story of a remarkable

national reform I fell to wondering, "If

this marvellous change has come about

in Russia, don't you suppose the other

countries must be forced as a matter of

logic and self-preservation to adopt

similar laws?"

"Well," said Mr. Hiller, emphatically,

"I don't believe in the emotional meth-

ods of temperance societies. But if any

woman can stop the sale of liquor in

this country, Jeanne d'Arc won't be

mentioned in the same breath with her."

—New York Sun.

Science in Sweden

A German paper has been asking Scandinavian men of science and action to state for what they are indebted to German science—rather as though, in the face of British denunciation, Germany were a little anxious to reassure herself on the subject. The answers may give a modified satisfaction to the German mind, though there are conditions stated and implied. Thus Professor Lovenz of Heyde, not satisfied to answer the question, adds that the debt of science to France and Great Britain is equally great. And he states what, in his opinion, are the three leading characteristics of the three nations in their attitude to science. Would anyone guess them at a first attempt? He praises France for clearness, Germany for thoroughness and profundity, and England for originality.—Manchester Guardian.

Letting in the Waters

Dutch engineers, and, in fact, all alive people in Holland, eagerly watch the news about flooding operations in Flanders, and their check to the German advance. Naturally, for the supreme defence of their own little country must be the "water line" through the heart of it, from the Zuider Zee to the Scheldt, created by opening the sluices. As professional dwellers under sea-level, the Dutch probably regard the Dismal floodings as amateur efforts. No local harbor-master among them will have a chance of being decorated, like him of Nieupoort, for contriving waterworks against the enemy's firework. Holland has a Department of State, with a Cabinet Minister at the head of it, for her Waterstaat, an untranslatable word which means, practically, the state of all waters from the field-drain in the polders to the Rhine at winter level. They are all linked up in one scheme in an office at The Hague.—London Chronicle.

GRANGE ANNIVERSARY

(Continued from page 4)

At the banquet, B. F. Smith was toastmaster and various toasts were responded to by members and several invited guests as follows: Andover Grange, Edward W. Burt; National Grange, J. W. Stockwell; State Grange, Elmer D. Howe; Essex Pomona Grange, E. A. Emerson; Our Town, Samuel H. Boutwell; The Ladies, Mrs. Charles Hardy.

In the evening a delightful entertainment of music and readings was furnished. Miss Charlotte Flint gave an original poem; the history of the Grange up to that date was given by Mrs. Edward W. Boutwell; Deacon Sargent of Methuen and Mr. Day of Boxford made remarks followed by a recitation by Mr. Hardy. There came more interesting addresses by Mr. Phippen of Methuen, Peter D. Smith and John N. Cole of this town, and a few stirring words from the new pastor of the West Church, Rev. R. A. MacFadden. Music was furnished during the evening by Messrs. Rhodes, Newton and Hulme. Those who made up the committee who so successfully carried out the dedication exercises were C. L. Bailey, H. Frank Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Joshua H. Chandler, Mrs. Edward W. Boutwell, S. H. Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. John Madrox, Mr. and Mrs. Ira B. Hill, Mrs. J. Warren Moor, Edward W. Burt, J. H. Playdon, Miss Annie M. Burt, Miss Charlotte E. Flint, J. W. Moor, Miss H. Gould, Miss Clara A. Putnam and Miss Mary Fuller.

BALLARDVALE.

UNION CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
Rev. AUGUSTUS H. FULLER, Pastor

10.30. Worship with sermon by pastor.
Sunday School to follow.
2.30. Meeting of Juniors.
6.00. Y. P. S. C. E.
7.00. Praise service with address by pastor.
7.30 Thursday. Evening prayer meeting.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Rev. JAMES KING, Pastor

10.30. Worship with sermon by pastor.
Sunday School to follow.
6.15. Epworth League.
7.00. Praise service with address by pastor.
7.30. Thursday. Evening prayer meeting.

Miss Kate West of Melrose is visiting her sister, Mrs. Sarah Shattuck, River street.

Mrs. Martha White of Westboro is spending the week with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Smith, High street.

The Congregational Ladies' Aid society will meet next Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Martha Dearborn.

Elmer B. Mears has gone on a six weeks' vacation to Washington, D. C., and Jacksonville and St. Augustine, Florida.

Mrs. Harry Wells returned home Saturday from the Brookline hospital where she underwent a successful operation.

The Bradley Mothers' club held an exceptionally interesting meeting this afternoon. A well known speaker addressed the meeting.

Lodge Deputy George F. Tilton of Lowell will install the newly elected officers of Ballardvale Lodge, No. 105, next Monday, February 8.

Good Templar's Play

Bradlee hall was filled to overflowing Wednesday evening when the three-act comedy, "The Elopement of Ellen" was presented by Ballardvale lodge, No. 105, by the strongest cast of characters ever got together in this vicinity. The specialties were in keeping with the high class quality of the cast and consisted of: Piano solo, Harold Walker; vocal solo, Miss Gladys Littlewood; Miss Frances Horne accompanist; vocal duet, Mrs. Harry Nason and Keyte Brooks with Joseph Stott accompanist. All the members of the cast did their best and their able efforts were fully appreciated by the large audience present, and was manifested by the hearty applause accorded them from the beginning to the end of the play. The piano playing of Harold Walker showed him to be one of the best of the younger people in this vicinity. The singing of Miss Gladys Littlewood was remarkably good. The duet by Mrs. Harry Nason and Keyte Brooks was generally agreed to be the best ever given by local talent in the village. Following the entertainment ice cream was sold. It was the most successful entertainment ever given by the local Good Templars.

Annual Roll Call and Supper

There was a large and enthusiastic gathering at the annual roll-call and supper at the Union Congregational Church Thursday evening. After partaking of a bounteous turkey supper the roll-call and business meeting followed.

Order of business: Prayer by the pastor, Rev. A. H. Fuller; reading of minutes; reports were given by the clerk of the church, Stephen Byington, auditor, Daniel H. Poor; report of standing committees—prayer meeting committee by Roy M. Haynes, Social by Mrs. Amos B. Loomer, Calling by Mrs. Joseph Stott; reports of auxiliaries of church by moderator of the society, Felix G. Haynes; Board of Trustees, Daniel H. Poor; Sunday School by Superintendent Charles H. Richardson; Primary department of Sunday School by Superintendent Mrs. Etta Greenwood; Home department by Mrs. Geo. P. Byington; Ladies' Aid society by the President, Mrs. J. H. Smith; Y. P. S. C. E. by Charles H. Richardson; C. E. Juniors by the Superintendent, Mrs. Roy M. Haynes.

William Shaw, chairman of the nominating committee, presented the following list of officers and committee for the ensuing year and they were unanimously elected:

Clerk, Stephen T. Byington; treasurer Martha D. Byington; auditor, Daniel H. Poor; deacon for three years, Thomas Matthews; ushers—Wesley Clark, Geo. Bruce, Robert Stafford, Roy M. Haynes; the deacons; pianist, Mrs. Roy M. Haynes; asst. pianist, Mrs. Wm. Shaw; prayer meeting committee—Wm. Shaw, Mrs. George P. Byington, Chas. W. Richardson, Thomas Matthews, Mrs. George R. Miller; calling committee—Anna Davies, Mrs. Herbert Clarke, Mrs.

B. F. Stafford, Mrs. Charles W. Richardson, Mrs. Irving R. Shaw, Mrs. Ann Cummings, Mrs. J. H. Smith, Mrs. Ralph Bruce, Miss Mary Brown, Miss Miss Lizzie M. Rowland; Social committee—Mrs. N. H. Harwood, Mrs. William Clemons, Mrs. Clester Matthews, Mrs. Charles E. Davies, Mrs. Eldon E. Fleury.

Mrs. Joseph Stott brought up the necessity of having a gas stove and some needed repairs on the church kitchen and under the able direction of William Shaw over \$30.00 was raised for that purpose. George Shaw offered to have a new hard wood floor laid in the kitchen and pantry of the parsonage and the offer was accepted. It was the most successful and harmonious meeting ever given by the local church. The meeting closed about 9.40 o'clock with singing "Blest be the tie that binds."

Dr. and Mrs. Wm. Shaw Entertain Party from Boston

Dr. and Mrs. William Shaw of Ballard Vale entertained a party of sixty friends from Boston and vicinity at their home, "Sunnybank," on Saturday afternoon and evening. Among the guests were Rev. Francis E. Clark, D.D., LL.D., president of the World's Christian Endeavor Union, and Mrs. Clark, Professor Amos R. Wells, Litt.D., editor of The Christian Endeavor World, and Mrs. Wells, Rev. James L. Hill, D.D., and Mrs. Hill of Salem, Rev. and Mrs. R. P. Anderson of Boston, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Clinger of Dedham, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Acker of Revere, Mr. and Mrs. George B. Graff of Reading, and Arthur W. Kelly of Auburndale.

Through the courtesy of the Boston & Maine officials, a special car was attached to the three o'clock train for the use of the party. The younger members of the party spent a delightful time coasting on Andover street in the afternoon, after which indoor games and refreshments were enjoyed by all. The evening concluded with a travel talk covering Dr. and Mrs. Shaw's recent trip to Europe, illustrated by a Balioptic.

Press Whist Club

The weekly meeting of the Andover Press Whist Club was held at the mountain home of Secretary Bryan, on Cuba street, last evening, and a most enjoyable evening was spent by all. Secretary Bryan opened the meeting by reading the records of former meetings.

Organ selections were given by different members, and a selection on the accordion was given by the host. The delightful part of the program was the splendid rendition of "Sweet Genevieve" by the president, Albert Ruhl, with organ accompaniment by G. Francis McCarthy.

The semi-finals of the whist games were then played and the Giants and the Pony team were eligible for the finals. The Pony team, consisting of James Dugan and L. G. Bryan, made a record score and took the honors from the Giants, Joseph Daley and Albert Ruhl.

The club then enjoyed a bountiful oyster supper, served by Mrs. Bryan, wife of the host, and the party broke up singing "Home, Sweet Home."

Andover Guild Notes

What with the gymnasium, the bowling alleys, the game room, the victrola, and the reunion of old friends, the Lowell delegation, thirty-two in number, had the time of their lives last Saturday afternoon. Nor was the town neglected, but stores were visited, valentines bought, and the Art Gallery at Abbot Academy was enjoyed by one group of girls. After a good baked bean supper, furnished by Mrs. Cady's Home Bakery, basketball practice began and the game was called at eight o'clock. The Andover team after two defeats this season were prepared for another from the Lowell champion team but they played with such inspired energy that the score was tied, 26 to 26, and enthusiasm knew no bounds. The team is now determined to make a good showing in the three remaining games, the first of which comes February 10, with the Lawrence Y. W. C. A. in Lawrence.

Tomorrow night the boys' team will meet the Lawrence Y. M. C. A. Employed Boys' team on the Guild floor.

The bowling alleys are becoming very popular with outside teams. Several matches have already been played and another one is slated for Saturday afternoon and one for next Tuesday night.

The senior Sloyd class under Mr. Lunt's supervision has just completed a large double runner. They tested it last Monday night coasting down Brook street and found it all right in every way.

The Guild will be open as usual Sunday afternoon at four o'clock.

OBITUARIES

MRS. CATHERINE MIDDLETON

The community was greatly shocked at the sudden death of Mrs. Catherine A. B. Middleton which occurred Monday evening shortly before 7 o'clock at the home of the Misses Ward, 68 Phillips street. Mrs. Middleton was ill but a week contracting a slight cold in Boston which finally developed into pneumonia, the end coming peacefully as above.

Mrs. Middleton was born in Boston October 31, 1839, and her early life was spent in that city. Coming to Andover, she married David Middleton of Frye Village and her life there was spent in assisting the needy and distressed and her memory is cherished for her good works. Since the death of her husband in 1901 she has made her home with Mr. and Mrs. George A. Christie on Elm street.

Mrs. Middleton has been active in many affairs of the town, being a directress in the Andover Guild and at her death a directress of the Andover Home for Aged People. She was a great worker and devoted member of the Free Christian church, and her wise judgment and counsel made her much sought after in the affairs of the various organizations of the church. For many years she was a deaconess and a teacher in the Sunday School. She left no immediate relatives.

The funeral was held Thursday afternoon from her late home and there was a large gathering of sorrowing friends. Rev. Frederick A. Wilson conducted the services which were simple and in accordance with the wishes of the deceased. A favorite hymn, "O love that will not let me go," was read by her pastor. The body was taken to the tomb in the West Parish cemetery to await burial in the family lot. The bearers were Walter S. Donald, William C. Coutts, Milo H. Gould and John C. Angus. There were many floral tokens, including offerings from the Ladies' Benevolent society, Helping Hand society and Dorcas circle of the Free church and from the directors of the Andover Home for Aged People.

WILLIAM A. DAVIS

The death of William A. Davis of this town occurred at the Massachusetts General hospital on Tuesday following an operation for cancer of the stomach. The body was brought to Andover and funeral services are being held in the Free Church parish house this afternoon, Rev. F. A. Wilson officiating.

Besides his widow, who lives at 95 North Main street, the deceased is survived by three brothers and three sisters, and his mother.

Wedding

McNULTY-MECHAN

Thursday afternoon, Mary Mechan and James McNulty were united in marriage by Rev. Fred S. Riordan, pastor of St. Augustine's church.

The couple were attended by Mary and Frank McNulty, sister and brother of the groom. After the marriage ceremony was performed, a reception was tendered the newly-married couple and they were the recipients of many gifts. Mr. and Mrs. McNulty will receive friends, after their bridal tour, after February 15.

South Church Men and Boys

Everybody seemed to be surprised to see such a swarm of men and boys crowding the vestibule of the South church last Friday evening. At about seven o'clock David Shaw played a quickstep march and the double file of two hundred men and boys streamed into the vestries about the loaded supper tables. After singing and saying grace, there was a happy interviewing of delicious baked beans, pies, sliced ham, doughnuts, cakes, pies, and steaming coffee. Pretty candelabra made of piles of rosy apples supporting four or five long candles each, adorned the tables and shed a swift light when the electricity was turned off. Each man did his best to supply the marvelous appetites of the boys and incidentally sampled the passing viands.

When the tables were cleared, the president of the club, H. E. Russell, conducted some items of business for the Men's club, including the purchase of a new stereopticon and the proposing of twelve new members raising the number to about 135. After some interesting appeals on behalf of boys' work by Philip French and Nathan C. Hamblin the guest and speaker of the evening was introduced. H. W. Gibson lost no time in winning his way to the hearts of all hearers, and roars of laughter were their comments upon his humorous portrayal of men's and boys' foibles, while many moist eyes indicated the deeper touchings of his more serious address.

Mutual congratulations were heard everywhere among the men and special credit for the success of the evening was given to Philip French, the superintendent of the Young Men's department of the South church.

The committee of ladies who supplied the supper was Mrs. T. F. Pratt, Mrs. David Shaw, Mrs. H. E. Russell, Mrs. L. O. Dunklee, Mrs. Philip French and Mrs. Geo. T. Abbott. The waitresses were: Mrs. N. C. Hamblin, Mrs. C. W. Holland, Mrs. P. B. Whittemore, Mrs. Ralph O. Ingram, Mrs. Burton S. Flagg, Mrs. Geo. M. R. Holmes, Mrs. H. Allison Morse, Mrs. James Morris, Mrs. Fred P. Berry and Mrs. Farlow.

Unclaimed Letters

Doyle, Helen A. Karis, Miss Hilma
Kimball, Maria D. Lively, Mrs. M.
Morrow, Mrs. Sue M. Southwick, Walter H.
Stinson, J. W. Webster, Dr. and Mrs. W. S. C.
JOHN H. McDONALD, P.M.

John-Esther Gallery

About two hundred people visited the gallery on Saturday to take advantage of the last opportunity to see the exhibition of paintings. The total attendance was considerably over eight hundred—a convincing expression of appreciation on the part of the public.

The paintings were varied enough to appeal to different tastes, but a few seemed to be general favorites, especially two landscapes with a sunset glow—Ben Foster's "Autumn Twilight" and Vezin's "Evening." Others which were enjoyed by many were "High Haith" (a view of the New Hampshire hills near Squam Lake), "The Green Schooner," and "The Road to the River" (a typical New England scene).

Four old friends, shown with the visiting exhibition, were greeted with affection and pleasure, namely, the landscapes by Charles H. Davis which Miss Anne Means has so kindly loaned each winter since the opening of the gallery.

The permanent collection of paintings is now again in place and some photographs of Italian cities are displayed on the screen in one of the lower rooms. Visitors are always welcome on Saturday afternoons from two to five o'clock, the year round.

Communication

To my Friends and Patients in Andover:

Having passed the Board of registration in Medicine of the State of Oklahoma, I have decided to open an office in the city of Norman in this state, the site of the State University. I wish therefore, through the columns of the Townsman, to express to you all, my appreciation of the many kindnesses shown me during my sixteen years residence among you. While I have anticipated this change for some time, it was impossible, owing to the uncertainties of a State examination in all branches of medicine, to formulate my plans, until I should actually obtain legal authority to locate and practise outside of Massachusetts. I therefore commend to you the Andover physicians and also thank you for that large measure of confidence placed in me these many years, for which I am deeply grateful. I assure you that Andover will always be home to me.

Wishing you all good things, I remain
Yours most sincerely,
JOHN P. TORREY.

ABBOTT VILLAGE

Miss Margaret Murphy of Red Spring road spent Thursday in Boston.

Mary Nicoll of Shawshen road is recovering from several weeks illness.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. John Doyle of Higgins court last Friday.

Mrs. William Christie of Brechin terrace spent the week end at the home of Alfred Duncan in Beverly.

Mrs. Henry Fairweather and her brother, William Rennie, spent the week end visiting relatives in Beverly.

John Welch who recently went to work in Lawrence, has removed his family to Andover street, South Lawrence.

James McDonald of Revere spent Sunday with his brother John at the home of John Ness on Red Spring road.

Mr. and Mrs. David Lowe and daughter, Lillian, of Brighton, spent Sunday with their parents on Cuba street.

Catherine Kelley of Jamaica Plain, who came to town recently, has gone to work in the Twisting department of the Flax mill.

James Gouck, after spending the summer in the middle west, has returned to his former position in the machine shop of the flax mill.

Miss Elizabeth Wirtzberger of Plymouth has entered the employment of the Smith & Dove Company. She is residing with her brother August, on Red Spring road.

James Cairnie and John Bailey, both of Cuba street, left for England last week. They intend to work their way over and return to their old homes in Dundee, Scotland.

Several of the villagers took part in the Burns anniversary celebration held last week by the Scottish Clan in Beverly. They were Henry Fairweather of Brechin terrace, Daniel Lowe and daughter and daughter Jessie of Cuba street and David Low of Brighton.

Public School Notes

The amount deposited in the school savings bank during the year 1914 was \$1767.66.

The banner for best attendance went for the first time to Mrs. John Derrah's room, Grades 4 and 5, in the Bradley school. The banner is of blue felt with white letters hung with an attractive gold cord and the pupils are very proud of the fact that they received it.

Another collection of baskets, the work of the basketry class of the high school, is on exhibition in the school committee room.

From a fund left to the Richardson school a Victor talking machine has been purchased for the entertainment and instruction of the pupils of that school.

The machine is the latest school model type and is very sweet in tone. It comes as a surprise to the pupils, being installed in the school today, and they will certainly appreciate the gift to its fullest extent. The purchase was made through W. A. Allen, the local dealer. Numerous records have been obtained, all of the very best in music and it is hoped that records may soon be purchased to help in the folk-dancing which the physical director is instituting in the schools.

The Political Field

Since last week nothing very startling has happened in the political field for the coming town election. David R. Lawson, a well known local young man, who has made good in his work for the American Woolen Company, has taken out papers for the office of auditor. The present incumbents will probably run again, they being Nesbit G. Gleason, John S. Robertson and Walter H. Coleman. For school committee no new applicant has as yet signified his desire to manage school affairs and the three whose offices expire this year, John C. Angus, Henry W. Bodwell and Bartlett H. Hayes, are candidates for re-election.

George F. Smith has taken out papers for a one year's service as trustee of the Memorial Hall Library and Alfred Ripley will run again for moderator. Ballardvale, which seems to be in need of discipline, sends forth a second candidate for the office of constable in the person of James Oldroyd.

One item which was unintentionally omitted last week is that George A. Higgins is candidate for the office of Town Treasurer as well as Town Clerk.

Andover Mothers' Club

The regular meeting of the Andover Mothers' club was held in Punched hall on Wednesday afternoon. About 20 members were present which was most gratifying owing to the inclement weather.

The business being disposed of, the president, Mrs. Partridge, introduced Mrs. Mary Palmer Rice, who gave a very interesting talk on the work the Fathers and Mothers' Club of Boston has been doing. She told of its small beginning, the interest different people took in it, the way they obtained their farm in Reading and the efficient work they do there with the poor, weak, underfed children that are sent to the farm to recuperate. She was a most interesting and attractive speaker and her words went straight to the hearts of her hearers.

After her talk she showed pictures taken of the kiddies at work and at play and their happy faces testified to the watchful care they receive.

Tea and cake were served by Mrs. George Holt, Mrs. George Carter and Mrs. Markham Stackpole, Mrs. Parmenus Partridge and Mrs. J. Warren Feeney.

It was voted to have Fathers' night next Wednesday evening and to invite the Bradley Mothers' club at the same time.

It was also voted to hold a cake sale at the next meeting in March to raise funds for the club.

Card of Thanks

The Directors of the Andover Historical Society thank most heartily all those who assisted in presenting "Mr. Jarley's Waxworks." The responses of the members was highly gratifying to the management; while the entire society is especially grateful to the many non-members who gave freely of their time and skill.

Abbott Village Lodge

At the regular meeting of Abbott Village Lodge held in the village hall last Wednesday the following officers were installed by Grand Secretary Miguel Sereque of Boston, assisted by Mrs. Henninger.

C. T. George Keith; V. T. Hugh Moore; Secretary, James Moore; asst. secretary, Jennie Crook; treasurer, Joseph Keith; financial secretary, John Campbell; marshal, Joseph Keith, jr.; sentinel, John Keith; register, Peter Campbell; superintendent of juvenile work, Robert Auchterlonie.

Bowling

On the Hillside alleys on Saturday evening, the members of R. H. Bradford's Sunday school class of the Free church enjoyed a bowling match between two teams captained by Robert Christie and Wendell Kydd. The former team won three out of the four points. The score:

R. Christie's Team: 384, 394, 378—1156.
F. Napier 224, J. P. Christie 231, G. Napier 235, J. Coates 234, R. Christie 232.

W. Kydd's Team: 397, 379, 371—1147.
G. Scott 239, R. Black 211, L. Paine 245, C. Auty 209, W. Kydd 243.

Deaths

In Andover, February 1, 1915, Mrs. Catherine A. B. Middleton, aged 76 years.

In Boston, at the Massachusetts General Hospital, February 2, 1915, William A. Davis, aged 43 years.

A Novelty in Motor Vehicles

A novel motor-driven racer is the invention of a St. Louis genius, who has given the name of the "unicycle" to the great hoop. Though a couple of small wheels, or rollers, are attached to the side of the queer craft, they merely serve to steady it when it is still, and are raised when the device is in motion. The motive-power is a gas-engine of the rotary type, with three cylinders, and this drives a propeller, five feet in length, at such speed that the wheel travels at a better rate than a mile a minute—seventy-four miles an hour, to be exact. The frame which carries the engine, propeller, driver, and fuel supply is very ingeniously constructed with a set of rollers that revolve against the inner side of the big wheel. In this manner the frame remains upright while the wheel revolves. The latter is of aluminum and has a diameter of eighty-one inches. Its circumference is protected by a solid rubber tire.—From the February Strand.

Ceaseless Toil

"I want you to understand," said young Spender, "that I got my money by hard work."

"Why, I thought it was left to you by your rich uncle."

"So it was, but I had hard work to get it away from the lawyers."—Ladies' Home Journal.

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